Prunskiene seeks intermediary

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# Soviet troops sent to Latvia and Estonia

By Mary Dejevsky in Moscow and Our Foreign Staff

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were reported to have shot about Soviet intentions of dead a youth trying to enter a military compound in the third rebel Baltic republic of Lithuania. Tension there persisted in spite of President Gorbachov's declaration yesterday that the Kremlin was prepared to examine any possibility to cess was observed.

Mr Gorbachov spent two hours with Mrs Kazimiera Prunskiene, the Lithuaninan Prime Minister on Thursday, a meeting Mrs Prunskiene described as a big step forward

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When Elisabeth Petre, a married woman with two sons, was chosen to play the Virgin Mary in the Oberammergau passion play it broke a 300-year tradition. It also provoked open hostility. George Hill reports from a town divided: Page 29

> An outsider made good

Sir Peter Hall spent a childhood in Suffolk with parents of modest ambition who never went abroad: "It wasn't so much a class gap as an education gap between us," he tells Ray Connolly: Page 31

Alternative meats British beef has had a bad

week with concern over mad cow disease, but there are alternatives. Robin Young reports on the increasing popularity of organic meat and Frances Bissell offers recipes using meat substitutes: Page 35

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#### Heading into the unknown

No one knows what will happen in Hong Kong when it is returned to China in 1997. Shona Crawford Poole knows the city as it is now and offers a traveller's guide to its high-

intensity life: Page 53

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#### Leighton in Scots squad

Jim Leighton, the goalkeeper dropped by Manchester United for the Cop Final replay has kept his place in Scotland's World Cup squad and will eo io italy: Page 45

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Their deployment to reinforce local garrisons its abrogation. But she added:
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Lithuanian representatives in Moscow are actively seeking a third-party guarantor to oversee the transition to independence. They fear that if the elected parliament agreed to suspend its independence examine any possibility to declaration, it might be sum-resolve its differences with marily abolished. Mrs Lithuania, provided the Prunskiene yesterday visited Soviet constitutional pro- the British, Canadian and Norwegian embassies in Mos-

moving towards resolution of

cow, and one of the reasons for those calls appears to have been the quest to find an intermediary to make sure the Soviet Union kept any undertakings it gave about Lithuanian independence. Mrs Prunskiene also met

the American Secretary of State, Mr James Baker, who is in Moscow to finalize prepara-tions for the Washington summit on superpower arms talks at the end of the month. Afterwards, he said: "We're very hopeful that a dialogue can begin and we find it very encouraging that Mrs Prunskiene was able to meet with President Gorbachov."

At that meeting, Mrs. Prunskiene handed the Soviet leader a document detailing an offer to suspend all legisla-tion proceeding from the declaration of independence for a transitional period, during which the republic's "independence, integrity and the functioning of its mandated authorities" would be guaranteed, and putting forward five specific proposals:

 Talks on co-operation between Lithuania and the Soviet Union to ensure Soviet security, the security of the republic's western border and communications with the Kaliningrad region, which is administered directly from

An attempt to find a compromise between Lithuania's promise to guarantee its citizens the right to perform military service or not and the Soviet need to ensure its

security interests; The need to draw up bilateral agreements on economic and property relations between the republic and the soviet union "in such a way as to preserve and increase economic and transport links"; Talks on the establishment

calling only for the "tem- property rights of Soviet citi-A spokesman for the Lithuanian delegates in Mos-

cow, Mr Audreus Butkevicius, "I still have very many doubts - said Mrs Prunskiene had tried to discuss some specific points, in particular the month-old economic blockade and the question of compulsory military service, but Mr Gorbachov insisted that none could be discussed until the main dispute over the republic's unilateral declaration of independence had been resolved satisfactorily.

> Mr Butkevicius also emphasized the tense atmosphere in the republic and the real danger of unrest if a spark were ignited. He said the disturbances in Latvia and Estonia earlier this week between Russians and native Balts had been a precursor of the sort of "provocation" that might be mounted on a bigger scale in Lithuania.

On Monday, Mr Gorba-chov declared the independence moves of Latvia and Estonia invalid, following the strict tone he adopted with Lithuania, and on Thursday, the Soviet Procurator's office ordered prosecutors in the two republics to crack down on violations of the Soviet constitution and to ensure that Soviet laws were enforced. P.o-Moscow residents tried to storm the two republic's parliaments to protest against the independence drives on Tuesday, but were were reported and local activists said the police and interior ministry troops behaved well. It was to help those troops that reinforcements were sent in yesterday, although the number of men

being deployed has not been The shooting incident in Lithuania yesterday came after several complaints of rock-throwing at sniper attacks on Soviet soldiers at military installations. There are suggestions, however, that if Moscow decided to take

military action in the republic it might not be able to count on the loyalty of its troops in the Baltic. Increasingly, it is said, they are understanding the depth of feeling in the republic and fear the sort of conflict between Russians and the indigenous people that resulted from Soviet military intervention in Baku.

Troop cuts, page 10

### Arms control talks showing progress

Major progress had been made on an arms control treaty that would crown the coming superpower summit. Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, said yesterday after talks with Mr James Baker, the United States Secretary of State.

Mr Baker had earlier reported progress in five hours of talks with Mr Shevardnadze and President Mikhail Gorbachev, adding that he would provide details at a news conference today. Mr Shevardnadze said he

States and Soviet Union could meet the target set by their leaders at the Malta summit last December by agreeing the main points of a strategic arms

direction," he told reporters at a ceremony to present a medal to a US citizen who helped to save victims of the 1988 Armenian carthquake. "We did a lot," Mr Shevardnadze said big advances had also been made on a chemical weapons agreement. (Reuter)

reduction treaty (Start). "We are moving in that

Talks progress, page 8



Prost: Herr Kohl, right, the West German Chancellor, and Herr de Maizière, the East German Prime Minister, raising a glass in Bonn to the signing yesterday of the accord making the Deutschmark the sole German currency and paving the way to reunification. Report, page 8

### **Prestwick** attracts European

airline By Kerry Gill

A NEW airline is to introduce flights linking Prestwick Airport with several European cities, including Brussels, Amsterdam and Reskjavill.
The announcement yes

terday, by Mr George Younger, deputy chairman of the Royal Bank of Scotland, and former Secretary of State for airport's role after its loss in status two months aco, as Scotland's transationtic gateway.

Emerald Air, based in Belfast, hopes to begin operations in November and proposes a twice-daily service between Prestwick and London City

In addition to flights to Belgium, The Netherlands and Iceland, links with Stavanger in Norway, and Edin-

burgh are also proposed. Mr Younger, Conservative MP for Ayr, said Emerald Air would provide a significant contribution to Prestwick's future viability and it was hoped that at least two North American carriers would be encouraged to begin operations from the airport as a

He said that the Government's "Open Skies" policy, which has allowed transatlantic flights from Glasgow and Edinburgh, had been wrong and, once new transport links were completed. Prestwick could look forward to a new era as an international airport.

Mr Bill Best, managing director of Emerald Air said 60 jobs would be created. divided between Belfast and Prestwick.

 Engineers employed by Shell Expro yesterday managed to rectify faults on the Brent Alpha platform which had forced the shutdown of the Flags gas pipeline serving 15 North Sea installations late on Thursday.

The shuldown had threatened to send oil prices spiralling on the markets as output is interdependent on gas production.

# in Ulster vote

By Edward Gorman

first venture into Northern Ireland electoral politics for 70 years ended in humiliation yesterday when their candidate lost her deposit in the Upper Bann by-election.

The scat was retained comfortably by the Ulster topping the poll with a major-ity of 13,849, slightly down on the party's performance at the

General Election in 1987. Mrs Colette Jones, the Conservative candidate, came sixth, polling just 1,038 votes, almost 1,000 votes behind Sinn Fein, the IRA's political wing, which came third. Mrs Jones was among eight of the record 11 candidates standing

who lost their £500 deposit. The votes cast were: Mr David Trimble (UUP) 20,547: Mrs Brid Rodgers (SDLP) 6.698; Ms Sheena Campbell (Sinn Fein) 2.033; The Rev Hugh Ross (Ulster Independence) 1,534; Mr Tom French (Workers Party) 1,083; Mrs Colette Jones (C) 1,038; Dr

William Ramsay (Alliance)

'BSE' test

on dead cat

Pathologists in Northern Ire-

land are conducting a post

mortem on a cat suspected of dying from a feline version of

the "mad cow" disease. The

cat had showed symptoms

similar to those displayed by a

five-year-old Siamese diag-

nosed in Bristol as having

succumbed to a condition

similar to bovine spongiform

Guerin fine

Parent Industries, a company

wholly-owned by Mr James

Guerin, the former deputy

chairman of Ferranti, has

pleaded guilty in the US to

racketeering and agreed to pay

a \$4.4m fine...... Page 17

Smoke clue

Smoke drifting under the cockpit door of the jet which

crashed on the M1 could have

been the clue leading the crew

to assume they had a problem

with the right-hand engine, the

encephalopathy (BSE).

THE Conservative Party's 948; Mr Gary McMichael (Ulster Democratic Party) 600: Peter Doran (Green) 576; Mr Erskine Holmes (Right to Vote Labour) 235; Alistair Dunn (SDP) 154.

The result will fuel further criticism from within the Conservative Party over the ern Ireland, taken at last year's party conference.

Mr Trimble, aged 45, a law lecturer at Queen's University in Belfast, told cheering supporters at Banbridge County Down, that the result demonstrated the united and determined opposition of Unionists to the Anglo-Trish Agreement, which he said was the principal election issue.

Political analysts blamed the poor showing for Mrs Jones on her apparent support for the Anglo-Irish Agreement, the fact that Upper Bann was not regarded as a strong Conservative area, and on her support of the community charge, which will not be introduced in the province.

Trimble's victory, page 4

Record

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AN ITALIAN footballer

changed clubs yesterday for a

fee of £7.7 million, a world

Roberto Baggio, aged 23, a midfield player for Fiorentina and Italy, had signed a three-

year contract with the Turin

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confirm claims that his new

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Juventus, one of the richest

clubs in the world because of

their association with Fiat

beat Fiorentina in the UEFA

Until yesterday, the record

fee for a player was £5.5

million, which was paid by AC

Milan to PSV Eindhoven for

the Dutch player, Ruud Gullit, in 1987.

Record bid, page 45

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Cup final last week.

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# Tory deposit lost | Election strategy divides Cabinet

By Sheila Gunn, Political Reporter

Senior members of the Cabi- summer of speculation over set up a ministerial "A team" this summer to start work on the Conservative manifesto for the general election.

A strong group within the Cabinet is arguing that, if the Conservatives are to stay in power to the end of the century, they must not lose their radical edge by giving away the political initiative to Labour. They are understood to include Sir Geoffrey Howe, the deputy Prime Minister, Mr John Major, Chancellor of the Exchemier, and Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for Environment

They have met with resisance, however, from Mr Kenneth Baker, the party chairman, who believes a manifesto committee fashioned on the last administration's ministerial A team should not be formed until after the Conservative Party conference in October.

In the face of conflicting advice, the Prime Minister is believed to side with Mr Baker in being reluctant to provoke a vision of the future.

net are at odds over moves to the future direction of the party. The breach hinges on whether the Government should aim for a "quiet summer" after the bruising over the poll tax, the leadership issue and the economy or keep up the momentum of Therefore to revolution crowing up a new agenda.

The Prime Minister and her key advisers are also believed to be looking for six months of calm, competent government before plunging into the business of preparing for the next manifesto. As disclosed in The Times vesterday. Mr Baker will today signal the party's summer offensive against the Opposition's blueprint for a Labour government.

His strategy is to damage Labour's opinion poll showing and to sell the Tory policies coming on stream this year before getting to work on the new agenda.

Sir Geoffrey and Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, both said the Government had to set out its

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# The Japanese art lover's £94m spending spree



Mr Ryoei Saito: \$100 m ceiling for paintings

From Joe Joseph Tokyo

TO PICK up one multi-million dollar masterpiece in a week could be considered fortunate; to pick up two might be just a little callous. Mr Ryoei Saito, the Japanese tycoon who this week paid \$160 million (£94 million) for two paintings by Van Gogh and Renoir, is unrepentant. "I know that some people will criticize what I have done." he said yesterday. "But I believe in 50 to 100 years' time they will understand."

"Following these purchases," said Miss Tomoko Inukai, one of Japan's allpurpose television commentators. "Japan's image as a nouveau riche nation has been aggravated."

Mr Saito - aged 74, hugely rich, head of Japan's second biggest paper manufacturer, and the man who has made gallery owners rethink their price tags -

is not much concerned with carpers. He was willing to pay even more than the record \$82.5 million he stumped up on Tuesday for Van Gogh's haunting "Portrait of Dr Gachet" and the \$78.1 million he paid two days later for Renoir's "Au Moulin de la Galette". "I told the dealers that \$100 million was the ceiling for each painting," he said yesterday, "I am very happy. Once you like something, you should go all the way. I don't think the prices were

'Works by Van Gogh or Renoir rarely go on sale, so I'm very lucky. What's more, I think it's wonderful that these masteroicces will come to Japan." If the prices seemed secondary to Mr

Saito it may be because he, like many of today's more fashionable businessmen. went to his bankers rather than his bank account to pay for the paintings. "Debis can be counted as assets"

understanding. Mr Saito's company. Daishowa Paper,

was founded by his father, Chiichiro, in 1938 in Shizuoka, central Japan. Ryoei turned an already thriving business into Japan's second biggest paper maker and one of the Tokyo stock market's bluest chip shares. Last year he was the 32nd biggest taxpayer in Japan with a bill for 790 million yen.

though many other tycoons in Australia.

America and Europe - some of them

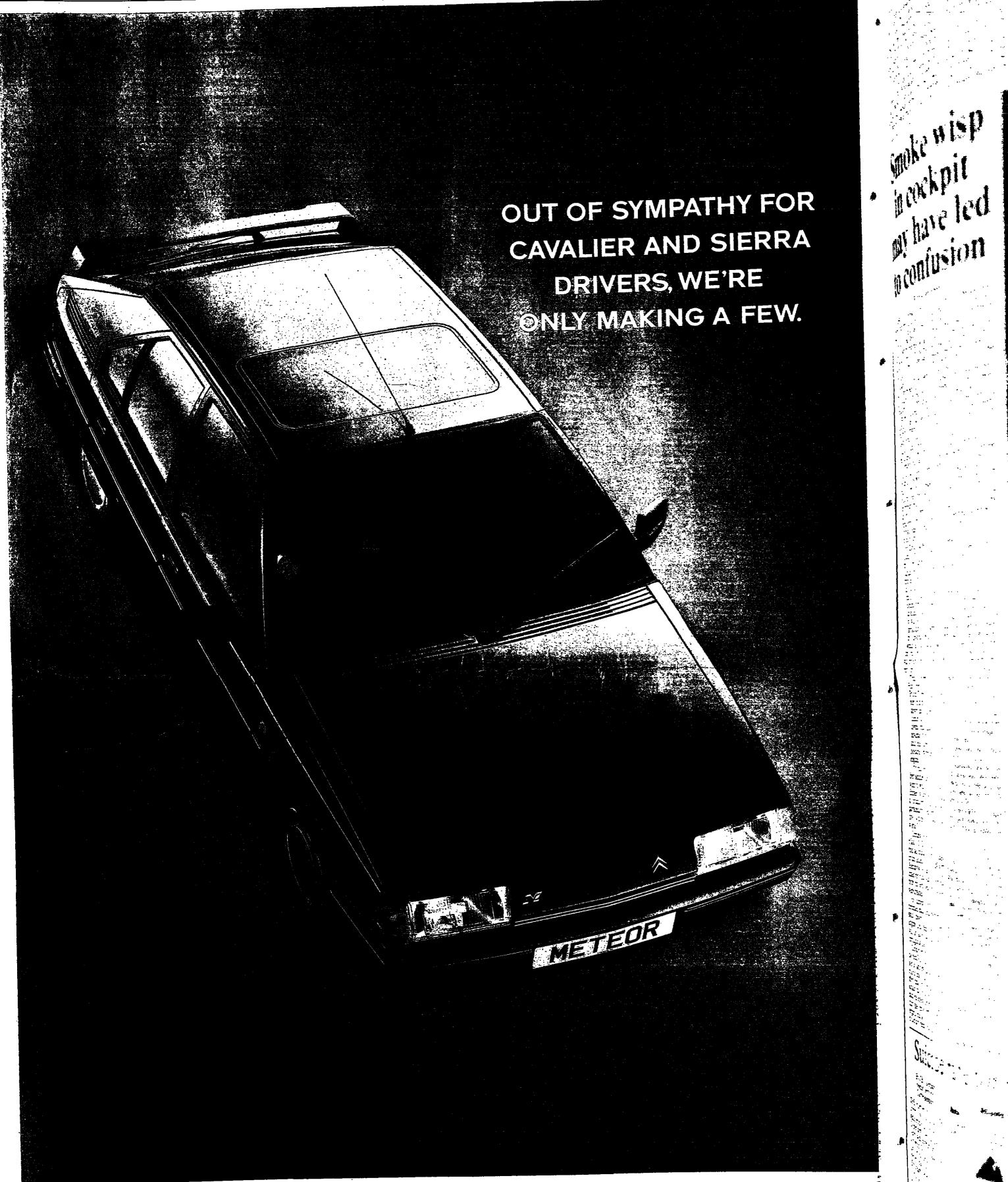
Van Gogh collectors - have found

recently their creditors not 50

Having landed a couple of unexpected bargains, Mr Saito decided to use the rest of the borrowed cash earmarked for the two paintings but now burning a hole in his pocket to buy a Rodin sculpure at the Sotheby's sale in New York on Thursday. "It was only 650 million yen." Continued on page 16, col 5

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Of course, many of these deprived drivers will deserve very little sympathy. If they chose the wrong car, they have no one to blame but themselves and their lack of imagination.

The ones our hearts should really go out to are those who desperately wanted a BX Meteor but were denied the privilege by the limited supplies.

On the other hand, if they didn't move

fast enough, the BX Meteor is obviously not the car for them.

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# Little ships of Dunkirk assemble for return voyage

By John Young

TWENTY-SIX of the surviving "little ships" of Dunkirk are assembled at Dover to prepare for next week's Channel crossing to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the evacuation, Mr David Rolt, commodore of the Association of Dunkirk Little Ships, said yesterday that he hoped the flotilla would be 80-strong by the time it sails for France next Thursday.

"A lot of them are quite close to not being ready," Mr Rolt said. A number of the boats were in regular use and well maintained but others were "in a terrible state", having been rescued after years of

pared for the voyage,

"Inevitably with 80 old ladies, there is going to be a breakdown or two," Mr Rolt said, but the fleet would be escorted by two Royal Navy ships, a frigate and a minesweeper, as well as a Brixham trawler and two lifeboats.

One of the most elegant boats in the fleet, Tahilla, is owned by Mr Jerry Lewis. the association's rear commodore, whose wife, Peggy, is its secretary. Mr Lewis, an insurance consultant, bought Tahilla, a twin-screw motor sailer built in 1922, 20 years ago, but did not discover until later

abandonment and were still being pre- that she had been at Dunkirk. He is hoping to take one of the veterans of the evacuation on the expedition and expects to welcome many others on board in Dunkirk. "But hardly any of them are under 70 and a lot of them are just not fit to do the whole journey. It's a very long day."

> Fifty years ago last Monday an announcement was made on the BBC that the Admiralty had requested all owners of self-propelled pleasure craft between 30ft and 100ft in length to send all particulars within 14 days if they had not already been requisitioned. The "request" was, in fact. an order. Under wartime regulations,

private yachts could be requisitioned for harbour defence and a number were suggestion, decided to organize a return to already in use as naval auxiliaries.

On May 26, 1940, a coded telegram was sent by the War Office to the Admirality stating that the emergency evacuation of troops from the French beaches was under consideration and that, if it went ahead, it was to be known as "Operation Dynamo". The name was derived from the control centre at Dover, a generating station overlooking the harbour. The rest has passed into legend.

In the spring of 1964, Mr Raymond Baxter, the BBC commentator, bought one

Dunkirk. With the help of The Sunday Times, whose then editor, the late Sir Denis Hamilton, was one of those taken off the beaches, 43 vessels were assembled for the reunion.

The association now has more than 120 members who have been granted the right, traditionally reserved for admirals of the Royal Navy, to fly the Cross of St George at the bows of their boat on special occasions. The Duke of Edinburgh will pay an informal visit to the assembled flotilla next

Wednesday afternoon.

# Smoke wisp in cockpit may have led to confusion

the pilots of the British Mid-land 737 which crashed on the M1 shut down the wrong engine, it was disclosed yesterday.

Captain Kevin Hunt, aged correct engine. 44, told the inquest at the coroners' court in Loughborough, Leicestershire, into the death of the 47 victims of the disaster that he had spotted said Later he told the inquest cockpit under the cabin door.

Captain Hunt, who has strument panel. been confined to a wheelchair since breaking his back in the the smoke indicated to him that the right-hand engine could have been the cause of the problem because it feeds air into the cabin's air crash, said Captain Hunt, was conditioning system, while the of a fire warning sounding in for the cockpit.

Mr Charles Haddon-Cave, counsel for the survivors and the victims' families, asked Captain Hunt: "After you smelled the strong smell of hot oil you saw a thin trail of smoke which appeared to be coming through the cockpit door, and you later mentioned it was the position of the smoke and your knowledge of the air-conditioning system which led you to think it was the right-hand engine which was probably the source of the

"That is correct." Captain Hunt replied. He told Mr Philip Tomlinson, the corodown an engine on the evidence of a wisp of smoke alone, but said: "I can only assume that with the smell and the sight of it we had a possible incipient fire in the

"It had not started burning, but heating up, and I did not want to wait for it to burst into. flames, where you are making a situation which is not a particularly pleasant one into one which is considerably

worse." Captain Hunt, like his copilot, Mr David McClelland, said he could not recall many of the details of the flight from Heathrow to Belfast. in the crash his back was broken and both his legs, feet and ankles were crushed.

He agreed that he had throttled back and eventually shut down the right-hand engine and that that engine was in good working order throughout the flight.

Captain Hunt said the first he recalled was the smell of hot oil and metal and looking round the cockpit to see the thin trail of smoke coming under the cockpit door. He said he knew from the smell that the problem lay in an engine, but told the inquest he could not recall the conversa-

A WISP of smoke which tion he and his co-pilot then seeped into the cockpit could had. He said he remembered be the first real clue as to why shutting off the auto-pilot, the pilots of the British Mid-which had the effect of stabilizing the vibration on the flight deck, and led him to assume that he had carried out the correct action on the

Captain Hunt said he then remembered Mr McClelland pointing at something. "What it was I don't remember." he the smoke coming into the that Mr McClelland was pointing towards the in-

The inquest was told he then remembered thinking crash in January last year, said about shutting down the engine, and assumed that Mr McClelland had followed out the procedures for doing so.

His next recollection of the left-hand engine provides air the cockpit and trying to make for East Midlands airport. "I remember we had to try and avoid Kegworth and the M1," he said. "There is a piece of moderately flat land the other side of the MI but we did not get that far."

Captain Hunt said that, as the aircraft headed for disaster, he remembered ordering Mr McClelland to try to restart the right-hand engine. "We had not got time to start it and it was purely a mind removal exercise," he said. "David was having to sit there and watch what was going to happen and I gave him something to think about."

He said the next few seconds' work were the hardest that he had ever had to do. "There were two particular places to avoid - the village of Kegworth and the M1."

Captain Hunt, who flew both the 737-300 and the 737-400 variants, said that he did not find the new electronic instruments in the 400 as good as the needles and pointers in those on the 300.

The Air Accident Investigation Branch report into the disaster will not be published for some months. It is known to contain 27

safety recommendations. During the inquest, it has become clear that they will include the fitting of a warning light above the vibration indicators to indicate which engine is causing trouble, the instal-lation of closed-circuit television to enable pilots to see the outside of the aircraft, and a dedicated radio frequency during an emergency to enable crews to talk to controllers without being interrupted by other aircraft in the vicinity. Discussions are

of the draft report. The coroner will sum up the evidence of 41 witnesses on Monday and the jury is expected to return its verdict anoxia - lack of oxygen to the

being held about the wording



### Anaesthetic | Rare watch 'killed boy' at dentist

BOY aged nine died after being injected with an overdose of anaesthetic while in a dentist's chair, it was alleged yesterday. Mr Nitin Kotecha, the dentist, and Mr George Brown, his anaesthetist, face allegations of serious professional misconduct before Committee of the General

Mr Timothy Preston said Mr Brown, of Learnington Spa, administered more than double the anaesthetic's recommended dose. He said Mr Brown and Mr Kotecha, of Barnet, north London, failed to monitor Darren Bamford's condition adequately and to ensure resuscitation equipment was available. Mr Preston said Darren was taken to Mr Kotecha's surrery in Chestrunt, Hertfordshire.

Dental Council.

on June 16 last year. Mr Brown administered 50mg of a barbiturate drug with another 20mg shortly afterwards for the operation, which was supposed to last 10 minutes. He administered further doses up to a total of 165mg over 20 minutes before the operation was stopped.

Mrs Moira Barry, a senior nurse, pointed out that Darren's lower lip had turned mauve and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and cardiac massage was attempted. Darren was put on a ventilator but 10 days later the ventilator was turned off. A pathologist gave the cause of death as cerebral

# found in stock sale

By John Shaw

A SHARP trainee discovered a gold watch with an unusual movement, worth between £12,000 and £18,000, among stock from a jeweller's shop that is being shown for the first time at Sotheby's in Chester today. Mr Richard Chadwick, aged

23, of Cleveleys, Lancashire, was cataloguing hundreds of pocket watches in the sale of stock from John Dyson and Sons, a famous jewellers in Leeds that closed in February. The routine task caused excitement when he found an 18 carat gold-cased watch with a rare six-minute revolving escapement signed John Dyson and inscribed "watchmaker's to the Admiralty" The example was made in

Mr Chadwick, an antique watch enthusiast, said: "I'd spent several days cataloguing them and they all seemed virtually identical, but this had a movement with an unusual feature I'd only read about and never seen. The specialist in London told me he'd only ever seen one other

The watch was made on the premises and had never left the shop. Dyson's, founded in 1856, became the pre-eminent jewellers, silversmiths and watchmakers in the city. Viewing of the 2,000 lots takes place today prior to a threeday auction beginning on Tuesday. The sale is expected

# Schools may close unless more girls' places provided

SIX single-sex grammar said yesterday that the schools mixed, if the governors were schools in Brimingham have believed the closure option happy and there was parental been told by the city council was a serious threat. that they could face closure because they provide more places for boys than girls.

that closure was a "radical" ption to comply with a m discrimination by providing fewer places for girls than boys in the city's grammar schools. The council was taken to

court almost three years ago. by the Equal Opportunities Commission and the High Court ruling was confirmed by the Appeal Court and the House of Lords. Although the council maintains the six schools, four of which are for boys, it has argued that it has no legal power to force their governors to correct the imbalance in provision of places.

council is politically opposed the governors of one of the six schools, Handsworth Grammar School for Boys, had refused to accept girl pupils.

When the council proposed last year that it would close the school by ceasing to maintain it, parents voted to opt out and receive funding directly from the Department of Edu cation and Science. Five of the six schools are part of the King Edward Foundation, Dr Stelater that day or on Tuesday. | brain. The hearing continues. | to make more than £500.000. | ven Grainger, its secretary,

Dr Grainger said other options put forward were the city's acting assistant chief closure of one or more of the education officer, said yes-Court judgement which found selective school into a girls' the council guilty of sex grammar school. He said the options were included in a consultation document for governors and parents which had been sent out by the coun-

> He said it contained misleading information and gave parents no time to consider the issues. He wanted it referred to the local government ombudsman on grounds of maladministration.

cil's education department.

Dr Grainger said: "The parties should sit down and work out a sensible and proper solution. We do have more The schools say that the places for boys than girls, but we would be happy to talk come within the law because one of the boys' schools as imbalance.

Mr Michael Hiscox, the

The Labour authority said boys' grammar schools, the esterday that 189 more boys' tablishment of a girls' gram places were provided in the six He said: "We cannot make

them mixed schools. That is a matter for the governors. The are very limited and that is why some of the options may seem a bit drastic. It reflects the lack of opportunity to make adjustments in the provision of places."

Mr Hiscox emphasized that closure would require the approval of the Secretary of State for Education and Science and was only one of the options that had been put forward. He said that the council had to act quickly to resolve the problem because the Equal Opportunities Comto selective education, but the about increasing the size of mission had threatened to council said it had been one of the girls schools. We take the council back to court thwarted in its attempts to are prepared to discuss having unless it corrected the

Ride around on the Best Bicycle

### Tolstoy appeal is spared hurdle

By David Sapsted

LORD Aldington, awarded £1.5 million libel damages over allegations about forced repairiation at the end of the war, failed vesterday to obtain a court order requiring the historian Count Nikolai Tolstoy to put up £188,000 security for costs before being allowed to pursue an appeal against the verdict.

Yesterday's court decision was welcomed by the count, who said that he would have had to drop his appeal if it had gone against him, because he did not have the money.

Mr Registrar Adams said, in a written statement issued after the Court of Appeal judgement had been given in private, that the court had decided not to award security for costs in view of the issues raised and the circumstances of the case. The judgement followed a four-day hearing, in private, in March.

After a nine-week trial, last year, Lord Aldington, aged 75. a former deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, was awarded the damages for allegations by Count Tolstoy, aged 54, about the actions of the peer, while an Army officer at the end of the Second World War, in relation to the repatriation of Cossacks and anti-Tito Yugoslavs.

Lord Aldington was falsely accused in a pamphlet written by the Count Tolstoy, who lives near Abingdon, Oxford-shire, and distributed by Mr Nigel Watts, aged 51, a property developer from Tunbridge Wells, Mr Watts, who was in a long dispute with the Sun Alliance insurance company, of which Lord Aldington is a former chairman, is not appealing.

Lord Aldington, who has already offered to forego all but £300,000 of the damages if Count Tolstoy drops his appeal, is considering an appeal against yesterday's ruling. The ruling means that Count Tolstoy's appeal against last November's verdict - after a trial that ran up costs of £1 million - will go ahead as planned on October 1.

In his statement, the reg-istrar said that, in the interests of justice, a reporting restric-tion banning publication of details of the written judgement and arguments advanced during the hearing should continue until after Count Tolstoy's appeal.

Count Tolstoy said of the ruling: "I am very pleased. There is no way I could have raised £188,000, and I would had to have abandoned my appeal." In a reference to the disclosure by Mr Henry Lambert, chairman of Sun Alliance, that financial help was being given to Lord Aldington - albeit that the sum was "infinitesimal in terms of our legai expenses" — Count Tolstoy said: "It is very bizarre that Lord Aldington is seeking security for costs which he is not going to have to pay." A court order has frozen

money in a fund set up to help Count Tolstoy to fight the original court action. Another fund, established

in Mrs Georgina Tolstoy's name and intended to save their home and ensure the continued private schooling of their four children, stands at

# Suicide rate for men up by 50% in 10 years

By Jill Sherman Social Services Correspondent

THE number of men who commit suicide before they reach middle age increased by 50 per cent over the past 10 years, with farmers and doctors most likely to take their own lives, according to a report published by The Samaritans yesterday.

The suicide rate among men aged between 15 and 44 has risen in England and Wales from 10 to 15 per 100,000, while female rates have gradually declined to about half that number.

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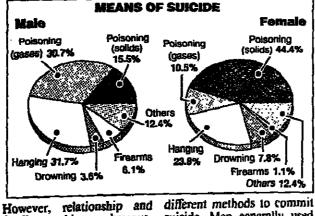
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In Scotland, however, the rate for both men and women almost doubled in the same period and were now 23 and 9 per 100,000 respectively. and physical isolation. "Bro-More than 4,750 people commit suicide every year in Great Britain, one every two hours, according to the report.

Part of the reason for the report said. rise in male deaths was thought to be the social-pressures of striving for success and trying to emulate a certain "lifestyle" in spite of increasing financial constraints for many and fluctuating un-



family problems, bereave- suicide. Men generally used esteem — although aggravated by social pressures - were usually vehicle exhaust fumes said. often behind suicide attempts.

Farmers worked long, tiring hours that could lead to social ken marriages, frequent financial difficulties and a high incidence of farming accidents are all too common," the

Doctors also worked long hours but in addition they were constantly exposed to human suffering and pain and had to take responsibility for

patient welfare. The survey also showed that

ment, depression or loss of self more violent methods such as hanging or poisoning by gas -- while women opted for poisoning such as taking an overdose.

and cancer.

Rates in both sexes were rising faster among certain age could be as high as 200,000. groups, such as adolescents and pensioners. The suicide rate among young people had more than doubled in the past 30 years and ranked third as a else but in addition they may cause of death after accidents

A study of mainly female loneliness. adolescents who had attempted suicide by poisoning seasonal variations in suicide and needed to raise £4 million showed that 76 per cent had employment, the report said. men and women tended to use parental problems, 58 per cent during the late spring and of service.

were worried about school or early summer. Emotionally work and 52 per cent had charged festivals such as Si relationship problems. More Valentine's Day and Christthan one third of all calls mas could also trigger suicides received by The Samaritans were from young people, and Launching Samaritan it was not unusual for calls to come from children under the age of 10, the report said. Parasuicide" - non fatal

"It is a powerful statement of distress and is often more of an impulsive act undertaken in order to release tension and stress and give voice to feelings of anger, frustration and loss of self-esteem," the report us,

of parasuicide involving poisoning occured every year and the figure for all cases

deliberate self-injury - was

particularly common among

The highest rate for suicide, however, was among elderly people. Many experienced the same problems as everyone suffer ill health, lowering income, growing isolation and

The report also showed

or self-inflicted injury.

Week, from May 21 to May 25, Mr Simon Armson, chief executive, said Samaritans aimed to reach people before they got to the point where suicide was the only option. "Someone commits suicide

every two hours - this is a tragic loss of life," he said."We know we must make every effort to reach out to those people in greatest need, and not just wait for them to call

The organization had set up An estimated 100,000 cases an Outreach programme working in conjunction with other agencies so it could work more effectively with patients in hospitals and prisoners, who had less access to a private telephone. Mr Armson said the organization had 22,000 volunteers responding to 2.5 million contacts every year, but was always in need of further recruits.

It was looking for 6,000 helpers to expand the service rates with most taking place to maintain the present level



# Kinnock sets out 'less painful' cure for inflation

A LESS painful cure for high inflation was put forward yesterday by Mr Neil Kinnock as he set the stage for the launch, next Thursday, of Labour's blueprint for its general election manifesto.

The Government's reliance on "punitive" borrowing rates would be replaced by a combination of credit controls, financial discipline and interest rates, plus full membership of the European Monetary System, to curb rising prices.

The Labour leader did not elaborate on the financial disciplines that he would impose, not to spend more than the country can afford. The 20,000-word policy document has been drawn up to answer Tory charges that the Opposition is long on rhetoric but

Yesterday, at the Welsh Labour Party conference, in to show that he has a credible said. and electorally appealing answer to Britain's most pressing economic difficulty and to underline his determination done, without the damage to take no risks with inflation. now being inflicted on fam-He also seized on the latest ilies and industries by the unemployment figures to ac- highest interest rates in the cuse the Tories of forcing up major industrialized coun-jobless totals to "strangle tries," Mr Kinnock said.

growth" and slow price rises. However, with Mr Kenneth chairman, preparing for a summer offensive against Labour's revised programme, particularly on its economic

### **Judges** say Gecas case must go on

THREE judges at the Court of Session in Edinburgh yesterday refused to delay an action for damages by Mr Aniony Gecas, aged 74, over allegations about his wartime

Mr Gecas, of Moston Terrace. Edinburgh, is suing Times Newspapers. Mr Brian Gill, QC, for The Times, asked the court to allow his clients to go to Lithuania to take the evidence of five witnesses. The court said it was not even known ii the withesses alive. This would have led to the postponement of the court hearing set down for June 5 Lord Dunpark, sitting with Lords McCluskey and Mc Donald, refused the motion for the discharge of the date for the court hearing.

"It seems to us that if we were to grant the commission there would be infinite delay with prejudice to Mr Gecas. who is 74 and we are informed in poor health," he said. The to do to the inflation figures judge said that his claim for damages, in what has been a employment figures - not long and expensive case, would die with him.

By Kerry Gill

MR MALCOLM Rifland, the Sec-

retary of State for Scotland, said

yesterday he had the support of the

Prime Minister over his statement to

the House of Commons on the

Ravenscraig closure and again denied

that there was disagreement between

Speaking at Irvine, Strathclyde,

when he visited a training centre, Mr

Rifkind said the Government would

try to persuade British Steel to reverse

its decision to close the strip mill with

the loss of 770 jobs.

himself and the rest of the Cabiner.

and trade union policies, Mr Kinnock knows that his prescriptions will be closely scrutinized.

The policy document is understood to contain at least 50 spending commitments, but they have been made sufficiently vague by Mrs Margaret Beckett, the shadow thief secretary to the treasury, to make it difficult for Mr Baker to assess their cost.

Yesterday, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the Commons, fired the opening shots in the Tory counter-attack by accusing the Opposition of but the blueprint is known to wilfully trying to mislead the contain a firm commitment public by removing "all the not to spend more than the incriminating evidence from the scene of the crime".

Mr Kinnock coupled his remarks with a fierce attack on the Government's record, saying that the Tory slogan, "Conservatives Cost You Less", was the big lie of 1990. Tackling inflation was central Swansea Mr Kinnock set out to Labour's programme, he

"Inflation must be brought down and kept down - and it must be done, and can be

"First, inflation must be brought down and kept down Baker, the Conservative Party by a combination of controls on credit, financial disciplines and - yes - interest rates, too, but never by themselves and, in consequence, not at the punitive levels used by the

> Secondly, entry into the exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System would be negotiated on the basis of "prudent conditions" to give Britain a

"monetary sheet anchor".

These measures would be underpinned by long-term changes such as investment in training, research and development and transport.

Mr Kinnock accused the Conservatives of fuelling inflation with high mortgage interest rates, rent rises and a poll tax that made 80 per cent of people pay more to get nothing extra for it. The Government was also forcing up unemployment to "strangle growth" and restrict price

remarks to Scottish Tories last Saturday that a like-for-like comparison with most European countries would shave nearly three points off the retail prices index, Mr Kinnock said that the Government was planning to "fix" the numbers.

He said: "They are going to try to take mortgage rates and poll tax out of the inflation figures. They are going to try what they did to the undeal with the problem, just fix

# Security-risk leak fuels dispute on MPs' reports



A car-bomb check during a security crackdown at Westminster yesterday after this week's London bomb attacks

### **Collision** course set over NHS pay

By Tim Jones Employment Correspondent

THE GOVERNMENT was last night on course for another confrontation in the National Health Service after the decision of union leaders representing more than 250,000 workers to ballot on strike action over pay. Five unions have now rejected offers of up to 7.8 per cent as "totally inadeqate" and are laying plans for industrial action, ranging from three-day stoppages to all-out indefinite strikes by groups of key

Yesterday, more than 200 delegates from the National Association of Local Government Officers, representing 140,000 clerical and administrative workers, rejected by three-to-one a 7.7 pay offer, which is 1.7 per cent below the Recalling Mrs Thatcher's present rate of inflation. They are demanding rises of £18 a week.

> Another 140,000 NHS hospital support workers, who belong to the Confederation of Health Service Employees, are also balloting for industrial action after a 7.8 per cent offer. They are demanding rises of £17.33.

Unlike other unions representing the support grades, who are balloting without a recommendation, the union is urging its members to embark on a campaign of industrial action.

Rifkind denies rift over Ravenscraig closure

# Ulster poll winner a bright light in lacklustre party

By Edward Gorman, Irish Affairs Correspondent

MP for Upper Bann, is regarded as a bright light in the generally lacklustre Ulster Unionist Party and who might one day become its leader.

Mr Trimble, who, at 45, is young for a UUP MP, will not take long to make his mark in the Commons and is expected to stand out among his colleagues as a vigorous, articulate, if not at times pedantic and angry, exponent of unionist anxieties.

Until now a committed devolutionist, he is a passionate opponent of the Anglo-Irish Agreement, while also a determined campaigner for improving and making more accountable the Orders in Council system. In many respects the Queen's University law lecturer, who speaks for the party on legal issues and lives at Lisburn, Co Antrim, is unusual in modernday unionist politics.

regarded with suspicion by many in his party and his uneasy blend of middle-class repectability and barely concealed rough edges of the "street fighter" mentality, do not sit easily with the stuffier elements of Ulster unionism.

His critics claim that there is more prejudice than reason in his political outlook and point to his proud involvement in the Ulster Clubs movement, in the workers' strike which brought down the power-sharing executive and

MR DAVID Trimble, the new Roman Catholic rhetoric liam Craig's proposals for a more often associated with Mr Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionist Party than with Mr James Molyneaux's UUP.

A recent example of this was Mr Trimble's decision to join Mr Paisley and others on the roof of Mr Molyneaux's head-quarters in Belfast — much to the UUP leader's embarrass-ment — to hurl abuse at Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Prime Minister, when he visited the city last month.

Mr Trimble's allies recognize that at the heart of his political thinking there is an uneasy paradox where reason, moderation and a genuine desire for reconciliation, bat-tle the instinctive prejudice and ghetto mentality of the born and bred Orangeman.

As one colleague said: "David is a gut Unionist for good or for worse - he's prejudiced for that reason even though intellectually he finds it difficult to justify. But he is also capable of a greater understanding than most unionists of the need to balance support for your tribe with practical negotiation."

Mr Trimble's route to Westminster has not been as easy as it might have been. Although long ago sacrificing his promising academic career for politics, he has missed out on a number of occasions since to move to centre stage. Although his past record and particularly his central inin his appetite for indulging in volvement with Vanguard in the kind of hysterical anti- the early 1970s and Mr Wil-

voluntary coalition including the SDLP, would suggest he is committed to power-sharing. observers will watch closely to see how he plays his hand.

Some believe, at bottom, he would baulk if faced with the reality of sharing power with Roman Catholics and predict he may lose his appetite for devolution once safely in Westminster as some Unionist MPs have before him.

Others, however, see David Frimble, the ambitious political opportunist, steadily honing down the rough edges. They predict he will align himself closely with Mr John Taylor. UUP MP for Strangford, described as the F W de Klerk of Ulster politics.

the Commons environment committee, said yesterday: "If the committee have agreed the report already, then it is a

their proceedings.

## Oil spill engulfs marine habitat

there rather than be removed by mechanical or chemical means (Lin Jenkins writes).

The oil is likely to suffocate life in the rock pools of Wembury Marine Conservation Park on the south Devon coast, but conservationists up would cause greater damage to the Site of Special Scientific Interest.

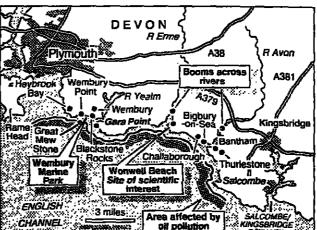
clean-up team had hoped that the slick would miss Wem-

OIL polluting one of the remains of the oil spilt a week country's most important ago when a trawler holed Rose marine habitats will remain Bay, a supertanker, further west towards Rame Head outside Plymouth Sound.

The marine conservation park along a four-mile stretch between Blackstone Rock and Wembury Point has a high density of life found between the high and low tide marks believe any attempt to mop it and is the habitat for nationally important populations of anemones, sea squirts. algae.sponges

Devon county council's molluscs.Mr Paul Gompertz, bury, but winds moved the are threatened by the oil."

director of the Devon Wildlife Trust, said: "It is these which



#### By Sheila Gunn, Political Reporter

THE Commons privileges matter which is going to be select committee backed down public in that form in any vesterday from taking action event." against newspaper journalists for leaking MPs' reports as the BBC infringed Commons rules by prematurely publish-

With leaks becoming en-

The BBC's release is the

mons for further action to be

iaken against Guardian and

Daily Telegraph journalists

The report said: "We retain

the right to recommend a

severe judgement against any

Member or other person who, by breach of trust or other-

wise, chooses to inflict serious

damage on a select committee

by making possible the pre-mature publication of its

proceedings."
It added: "We do not favour

any change in the rules so as to

diminish the protection given

to select committees against

the premature disclosure of

beyond rebuttal the conten-

tion that the work of the

education committee suffered

Commenting on the leak of

the defence committee report,

Sir Hugh Rossi, chairman of

damage as a result of the

premature disclosures.

We regard as established

concerned.

He added: "Where I think the committee of privileges does have to look into the matter is where a chairman's ing the defence committee's draft report has not yet been report condemning lack of considered by the committee and the committee then considers it, not impartially and demic at Westminster, the calmly based on the evidence, BBC disclosed that the defence committee's report on dia commentators suggesting security at defence bases, to be what they ought to say.

Premature leaks cast suspicion on "a whole legion of innocent people", including officials.

However. Mr Tony Benn, Labour MP for Chesterfield. said: "With the televising of Parliament and the growing public interest in the work of select committees, it is absurd that members should be advised to retain restrictions on reporting, based on a resolution passed 150 years ago."

Mr Benn disclosed that he had tried to amend the present rule so that all select committees should hear all evidence and deliberate in public, unless a motion to meet in private were agreed. During a private session of the privileges committee, the amendment was defeated by eight votes to one.

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### **Drink-drive** campaign 'succeeding'

Police are succeeding in deterring Scottish drivers from drinking, but the Government will crack down even harder in future. Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, the Scottish Office minister, said yesterday.

Lord James told a police conference at Peebles in the Borders that recorded cases of people driving over the limit fell between 1986 and 1988. New statistics were likely to show a further decline in 1989, Lord James said.

He pledged, however, that drunk-drivers would continue to face a high risk of detection because of the continued use of wide police powers.

#### Factory fire

Two workers were injured, one seriously, when an explosion caused a fire at a printing works in Idle, Bradford, yesterday. Fifty firemen attended the blaze at Watmough's Print. The village was sealed off and traffic diverted because of danger from toxic

#### Irish drug swoop

terday when police swooped on a house at Larne, Co Antrim, and siezed 25kg of. cannabis with a street value of £250.000. Detectives believe the drug was ready for distribution on both sides of the Irish border by dealers linked to Protestant paramilitaries

#### Case dismissed

Charges against Mr Frank Peters, aged 42, a managing director, and Mr Neil Taylor, aged 47, an accountant, of being involved in a £2.5. million fraud after the collapse of the Parrot Corporation based in Cwmbran, Gwent, were dismissed by Cardiff: Crown Court vesterday.

#### Life sentence

A woman was jailed for life; yesterday at Leeds Crown -Court for murdering her brother at their father's sixtieth birthday party in Bradford. Susan Richardson, aged 36, of Keighley, West Yorkshire, -stabbed her brother Eric, aged 37, in the heart.

#### "British Steel have tried to close Ravenscraig before. They had second

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#### thoughts and the strip mill turned out said, adding again that he had no to be profitable. We will discuss closure with British Steel again and try to persuade them to change their mind," he said.

He also reiterated his view that an independent, Scottish steel industry might be an option, a view strongly supported by the Scottish National Party. Mr Rifkind emphasized, however, that the Government would not step in to prevent the closure scheduled for next year.

"We are not going back to the interventionalism of the past when a company which wanted to do something found legislation brought in to prevent it. That was nonsense," he

intention of resigning over the issue. "I am pleased with the Prime Min-ister's support. My call for British Steel to reconsider their decision is not against the Cabinet view. There was no disagreement. The company will decide on closure at the end of the day." Mr Rifkind added: "Ministers don't resign because companies want to do something for commercial

Motherwell district council disclosed it had commissioned consultants to carry out a feasibility study into continuing investment in Ravenscraig and the Dalzell and Clydesdale steel works. The report would investigate the market, technical and financial aspects of all three plants with the intention of building a water-tight case for investment.

The council said in a statement it deplored the closure decision and was deeply concerned about the uncertainty surrounding the future at Dalzell and Clydesdale. "The steel industry is a key component in Motherwell's economy. Disinvestment will have far-reaching economic, social and environmental consequences for the area," it said. More than 16,000 jobs were linked to British Steel operations, two thirds within companies supplying goods

#### **Parliament**

### Minister approves cash for tunnel terminal (Peckham, Lab) said that there

The Government has approved investment of £98.5 million for the development of an international passenger terminal at Waterloo Station in London, Mr Roger Freeman, Minister for Public Transport, announced in the Commons

Making the announcement during a debate on the Channel tunnel rail link, he told MPs that he had also approved investment for a maintenance depot in West London, the two projects together worth £175

The Government was still considering a "complicated package" of rail link proposals from British Rail and Eurorail. and he could not commit the Secretary of State or the Government to a statement before the spring recess next week. "We will try to reach a decision as auickly as possible.

He said that he had also approved new electric freight locomotives and the electrification of the line between Tonbridge in Kent and Redhill in Surrey. In all the investment totalled £250 million.

C), opening the debate, criticized British Rail's proposals for ahigh speed link through rural Kent and Southeast London and said that the propasal for a terminal at King's Cross did not meet the need for a direct route through or around London for passengers going on to other destinations.

Commuters using existing lines had already complained about the inadequacy of the

Involved in BR's proposals was some of the most difficult terrain for engineering and construction purposes. He had grave misgivings about the proessionalism in the way that BR had considered the costing of the proposed route.

It drove through some of the most beautiful landscapes in South-east England, through farmland, small villages and communities, and through densely populated urban Southeast London. All this implied environmental damage and both short-term and long-term

considerable amount of derelict industrial land available cheaper than the expensive agricultural and residential land in South and Mid Kent. It could then approach Stratford via The proposal based on Strat-ford offered infinitely more to

all regions It should be seriously considered by British Rail, not rubbished as in the past with disinformation given to MPs. Mr Neil Thorne (Uford South,

C) said that hundreds of links and through-routes were considered, including the link through Stratford. British Rail had gone to considerable trouble and had looked into the matter thoroughly. But there was a time factor and they could not go on considering things forever. If every option were considered in detail they would still be discussing the matter by 2020.

Ms Kate Heey (Vauxhall Lab) whose constituency includes Waterloo Station, said that one reason they did not trust British Rail was because the board had originally said that only one terminal would be The rail link be routed around needed and that it had to be at

Waterloo. It had predicted that the station would have to cater for ten and a half million people. British Rail had since dem-

onstrated how wrong its original estimates were by saying that there would probably be 40 million passengers using Water-loo when the tunnel opened in 1993. Waterioo would not be able to cope. Mr Richard Livsey, Liberal

Democrat spokesman on Wales, said that debate on the link seemed to centre entirely around London. The Principality, the West and the West lidlands were being forgotten. Why should the line go into

London at all? Why not have an orbital rail by-pass which would link up, not only the rest of Britain, but the airports of Heathrow and Gatwick, providing a truly integrated transport system?

Mr Mark Wolfson (Sevenoaks, C) the British Rail proposal had all the hallmarks of a bodged job. The strategic issues had not been addressed before decisions on the route appeared to have been taken.

should be a proper inquiry into the best route and there should be public investment in the

Mr Andrew Rowe (Mid Kent, C) said that as British Rail floundered away, finally turning reluctantly to their enterprise partners to tell them how to design the line, he was right to be sceptical about their

Mrs Joan Ruddock, an Opposition spokesman on transport, called for an inquiry to examine all the rail link options.

Environment. They are: Professor John Public money was required, although Labour was opposed to using taxpayers' money to prop up private sector projects. It was time for a statement

about what was going on. Mr Freeman said that there was no question of the Govern-ment baling out the tunnel itself.

The Stratford terminal had been carefully evaluated. Had it been chosen. BR would still have approached it from the South, not from the East, to ensure that any benefits from the new line were shared with

# Scientists appointed

The names of three scientists to serve on the new joint com-mittee through which the new conservation agencies to succeed the Nature Conservancy Wolfson Council will work were announced in the House of Lords by Lord Hesketh, Under Secretary of State for the

ppeared to have been taken. Harper, Emeritus Professor of Botany, University of Wales;

Professor John Knill Chair-man, Natural Environment Research Council and a member the NCC, and Professor Robert May, Royal Society Research Professor of Zoology and Professor of Zoology at Oxford University and Imperial-College.

The announcement was made during a debate on the Environmental Protection Bill which was given a second reading.

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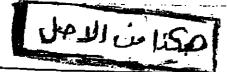
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# Green belt land is sought for £200m soccer club scheme

PROPOSALS for a £200 mil-lion commercial, leisure and access to the M8, the Edin-create a small loch. Hearts' residential development on green belt land west of Edinburgh, which could generate up to 5,000 jobs, were announced yesterday by a venture company established between Murray International Holdings and the Bank of Scotland.

A planning application involving a 25,000-seat stadium for Hearts Football Club, an electronics company employ-ing 500, and 1,000 houses, is wanted, no jobs wanted." expected to be submitted in the next two weeks. Mr David Murray, chairman of Murray international, said he was confident that permission would be granted in spite of the proposed development being within the green belt, because space in Edinburgh

had all but run out. The scheme, which could be completed by 1998, envisages up to 5,000 new jobs in manufacturing enterprises, a hotel and conference centre, a country and campus park and two villages of mixed tenure housing. Mr Murray, whose delivcred a brief of the project yesterday to Mr Malcolm Union Canal, which runs Rifkind, Secretary of State for through it, would be widened

burgh by-pass and Heriot-Watt University.

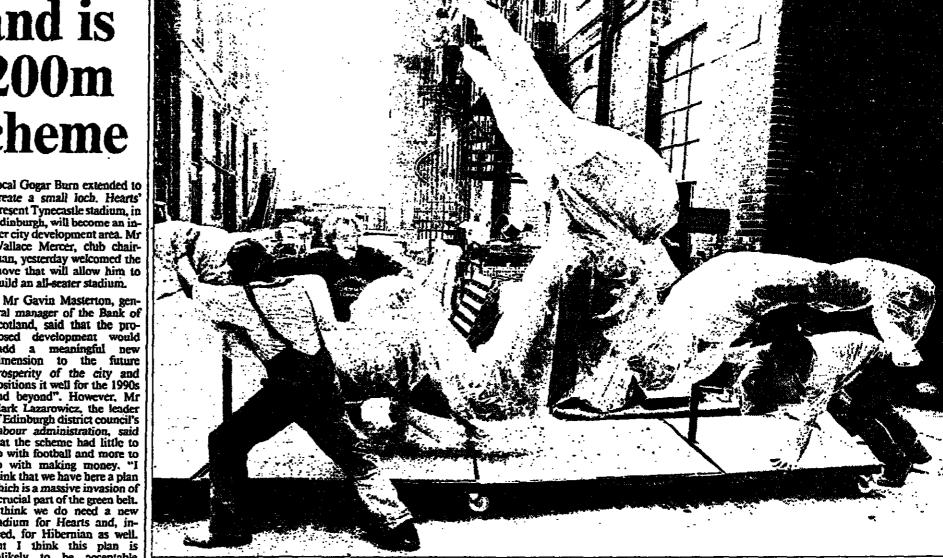
He said that a leading electronics company was prepared to move on to the site once planning permission was given and had committed itself to provide 500 jobs. If permission was refused, he said, the local authorities "might as well put a sign up on the

final approval. The venture company, known as Murray BS, will sell the land needed for the stadium, for the hotel and conference centre, and for part of the site for housing and manufacturing development. However, Murray BS will be responsible for up to 50 per cent of the development work on the site, known as Hermiston Park.

site would be open space. The Union Canal, which runs

present Tynecastle stadium, in Edinburgh, will become an in-ner city development area. Mr Wallace Mercer, club chair-man, yesterday welcomed the move that will allow him to build an all-scater stadium.

eral manager of the Bank of Scotland, said that the proposed development would add a meaningful new dimension to the future The application is bound to be called in by Lothian regional council and to be referred to Mr Rifkind for Mark Lazarowicz, the leader Mark Lazarowicz, the leader of Edinburgh district council's Labour administration, said that the scheme had little to do with football and more to do with making money. "I which is a massive invasion of a crucial part of the green belt. I think we do need a new stadium for Hearts and, in-deed, for Hibernian as well. The company said that at least two thirds of the 375-acre site would be open space. of speculative property development rather than a serious proposal directly aimed at a football stadium."



the arrival, protected by polythene, of his latest piece, "2nd Leaping Hare", at the east London foundry where it will be cast in bronze. The work is one of nine hare sculptures that will feature in his

from next Wednesday to June 16 (Lin Jenkins writes). Mr Flanagan, who studied in the 1960s at St Martin's College of Art and Design, in London, has returned to the hare theme after having done

sculptures of elephants, unicorns and horses. Miss Jenny Mercer, for the gallery, said: "His fascination with the hare comes from its dual role as a popular cartoon animal and mythical symbol." The sculptures sell for between £85,000 and £120,000.

# Man who revived

MR DAVID Murray, chair-man of Murray International started his career as a 17-year-Holdings, made one of his periodic visits to Glasgow this week, dashing down the M8 one of the biggest steel stock-from his Edinburgh head-quarters in his blue Bentley, to dom after the British Steel disclose that one of his latest acquisitions, Rangers Football Club, was about to announce its first profit in 10 years.

more than £11 million in tell the Scottish business

Murray International Hold- he said yesterday. ings, involved mainly in property and steel stockholding, is than £55 million. Mr Murray believed to be about to dis- made his first £100,000 on a close a similar success: a cut in £2 million annual turnover its borrowings from £55 mil- when he was 24. He is at lion to under £10 million.

Mr Murray, aged 38, who with the Teesside Dev-has walked with the aid of elopment Corporation on a crutches since a crash in his tract of land visited by Mrs Lotus Elite returning from a rugby match, is seen as one of Scotland's most successful businessmen of the past decade. He was Young Scottish sq ft of retail property. He Businessman of the Year in 1984. His company is the biggest private concern owned Prudential for £29 million at biggest private concern owned by one person north of the



have money to spend"

old metal business trainee, the 1990s could see him becoming Corporation and, it is thought, a press baron before too long.

The former Fettes public schoolboy - he was removed From a hefty overdraft of after a short time to a grammar school when his father's March, Rangers is expected to business hit a trough - has ambitions within the media. community at the end of this His interests are meanwhile month that it has achieved a profit level of about £1 million in spite of substantial borrowing to pay for new players and extensive social facilities at its Ibrox ground.

This interests are incarwing the send concentrated in property and steel. "We have money to spend and I intend to make acquisitions soon. My aim is to have no borrowings at all by the end of this year,"

> Now personally worth more present involved in a venture with the Teesside Dev-

Thatcher in 1987. This involves a proposed mix of 700 houses, 800,000 sq ft of office space and 200,000 South Gyle, Edinburgh, where his headquarters are situated.

One of his greatest coups, however, was the purchase of Rangers for a mere £6 million 18 months ago. Mainly due to a frenetic period developing the club's catering and commercial activities, Rangers' financial performance has proved one of the greatest successes in Scottish business in recent years.

Mr Murray puts this down largely to his management team, picked for their expertise in fields such as catering. Mr David Murray: "We commerce, football administration and public relations rather than blind faith in the future of the "Gers".

# Lazy worker leaves mark on history

By Nick Nuttall Technology Correspondent

A LAZY fifteenth century local buildings dating back to carpenter and a computer 882. Tree rings are fatter or system that compares tree thinner depending on prevailrings and records of Middle ing weather conditions over England oaks spanning more growing years. than 1,000 years have allowed scientists to date the construc- compared ring patterns in tion of Anne Hathaway's cot- newly-felled oaks with those disclosed yesterday.

tree ring experts - at Not-tingham University and histo-match, with a high level of rians at the University of accuracy, the "master" pat-warwick are convinced that terns with those from Anne the home of William Shake- Hathaway's cottage. speare's future wife was built As medieval carpenters in late 1492 or early 1493. The used "green", or young, timdiscovery is part of a two-year ber, the scientists can conproject funded by the Lever- fidently match the age of the hulme Trust, aimed at oak and the building Howestablishing the age of medi-eval buildings and the life-eval buildings and the life-carpenter that researchers

styles of people of the time. cruck buildings which are Most medieval builders retimber-framed homes from moved the bark and some layers of outer, light, wood to period, have been sampled. make the timber more resis-Full findings are scheduled to tant to pests, but this worker be published next year. At the neglected to do so and the heart of the research are presence of bark on the sample records of oak tree rings for gives evidence of the last years the East Midlands, taken from of the growth of the trees used.

The researchers have tage to within a year, it was in progressively older timber disclosed yesterday.

in progressively older timber samples from buildings in the Dendrochronologists - area and a computer system

were able to pinpoint the date Timber samples from 60 of Anne Hathaway's home.

# Rangers races on to fresh success Help with paying the Community Charge

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Remember – return your claim form by 27 May

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acement does not apply to Scotland: this backdaring provision applied in Scotland after 1 April 1989.

to outlaw racial and sexual discrimination in the legal

The proposals, on which the Government has tabled amendments to the courts and legal services Bill now going through the Commons, would provide "greater equality of opportunity both for new entrants and for established practitioners". Under the amendments, the provisions of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and the Race Relations Act 1976 would be extended to barristers' chambers and those instructing them.

of Court Students' Association at Birmingham University that in relation to chambers, the amendments barrister or barrister's clerk to discriminate against a person on grounds either of sex or race in respect of the offer of a pupillage or of a tenancy in

"This is a very important provision," he said, "and one which enjoys the support both of the Bar Council and its race

### **Seizures** of drugs up 600%

SEIZURES of illegal drugs from maritime surveillance mounted by Customs in cooperation with officials of other European countries have risen by more than 600 per cent to 25 tonnes since 1986 (Quentin Cowdry writes).

UK Customs officers, who believe the increase under-lines the importance of liaison between European states, signed a formal agreement on maritime and aerial surveillance yesterday with counterparts from France and Spain.

British Customs operates a group or sex. fleet of seven cutters, mostly in the Channel approaches, chairman of the Bar, said: "I but increased smuggling in am delighted that the Govern-Scotland may bring about a change in deployment.

GOVERNMENT proposals relations committee." Lord Mackay said the change would complement the new "twinprofession are likely to bring ning" scheme by which links about far-reaching changes, are to be formed between sets
Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the of chambers where barristers Lord Chancellor, said from ethnic minorities are concentrated and the main-

The amendments would also make it unlawful for anyone, in relation to the giving, withholding or acceptance of discriminate on grounds either of sex or race. Lord Mackay said: "It will require both solicitors and the other professionals and organizations who instruct barristers to exercise their professional judgement to choose counsel Lord Mackay told the Inns on the basis solely of merit."

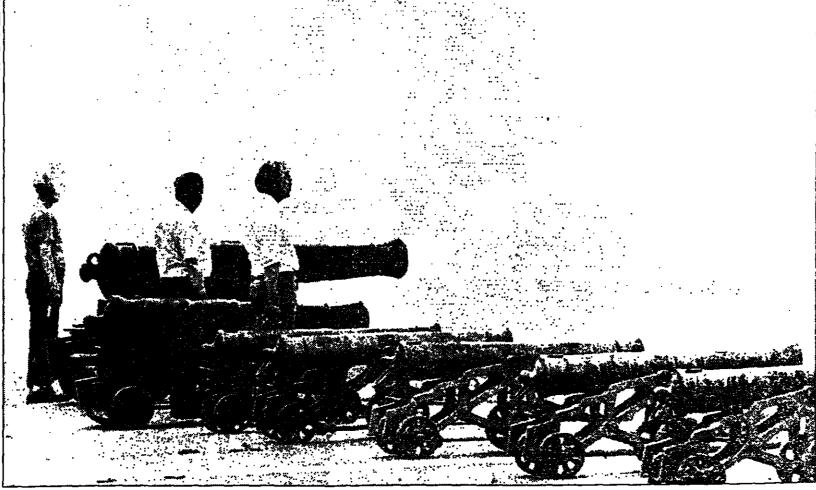
The strength and professionalism of the Bar lay in the qualities of "detachment would "make it unlawful for a members brought to their cases as independent consultants, he said.

At present, the provisions of the race relations Act and sex discrimination Act do not cover barristers in private practice. That is because they do not practise in partnership or have contractual relationships with the other members of their chambers or clients.

While the amendments were welcomed by the Bar, however, the Law Society expressed regret that they did not permit solicitors to exercise the exceptions contained in the race and sex discrimination laws. Under the exceptions, choice can be exercised in favour of a certain racial group or a particular group in certain defined circumstances.

"For instance," the Law Society said, "a black actor can be sought to play Othello. or a female nanny can be recruited to help a mother." The Law Society said it wanted to see a similar arrangement so clients could instruct barristers of a particular racial group or sex where the circumstances were such that the barrister's services could most effectively be provided by a barrister of that racial

Mr Peter Cresswell, QC, the ment nas taken Inis opporti nity to correct these omissions in the law."



Employees at the Historic Dockyard at Chatham, Kent, firing a nine-pounder at a rehearsal for a 10-gun salute to mark the christening of the Olau Britannia, a new ferry from The Netherlands. Two of the guns were recovered from the Medway and restored at the dockyard

## Clan chief loses a noble clause

By Sheila Gunn, Political Reporter

protect the purity of their bloodlines in the new era of fertilization test-tube techniques.

Lady Saltoun of Abernethy, chief of the Fraser clan, camthe Lord Chancellor, for a provision in the Warnock legislation to prevent children borne from embryo or sperm donation from inheriting titles, coats of arms, hereditary posts or any other fringe benefits from the centuriesold peerage system.

She argued that if infertile peers produced offspring with the help of the new procedures they will not be the "true" heirs. While she did not reject a commoner being certified as the legal father when he was not the natural father, she issued a warning that it threatened to contaminate the progeny of the nobility. On her side were ranged

various bodies concerned with preserving the purity of hereditary bloodlines. How-Fyfe, Labour MP for Glasgow aryhill defeated the Gov-

MPS HAVE foiled an attempt Fertilization and Embryology by Scottish hereditary peers to Bill during the closing session of the Commons committee stage scrutiny.

Among those who gave Mrs Fyfe victory by 10 votes to six were the Conservative MPs Dame Jill Knight and Mrs paigned and won the support Edwina Currie. The defeated of Lord Mackay of Clashfern, included Mrs Virginia Bottomley, Minister of State for Health, Sir Nicholas Lyell, the Solicitor General, and the Conservative MP Mrs Ann Widdicombe.

Mrs Fyfe argued that Lady Saltoun's idea was "a lot of nonsense" and pointed out that there was never any check in any case to ensure that a hereditary peer was the real father of his offspring. If such controls did apply, many peers might be in danger of losing their titles.

"In 1990 we are being asked to declare who can or cannot inherit clan chieftainships and titles that should have been abolished long ago,"she said. "The Roman emperors often adopted heirs because they were intertile. If that was good enough to run the Roman ever, this week, Mrs Maria empire, might it not be good enough to rule the clans, which matter to no one nowernment by removing the adays, least of all to the provision from the Human ordinary people of Scotland?"

# Scheme for new services gives a lift to Prestwick

By Kerry Gill

THE viability of Prestwick Airport, which lost its transatlantic gateway status two months ago, was improved yesterday with the announcement of a range of new air

Emerald Air proposes later this year to link Prestwick directly with a number of European cities, including London, Brussels and Amsterdam, it was disclosed by Mr George Younger, Conservative MP for Ayr, whose constituency includes Prestwick and who is deputy chair-

The announcement is the first good news for the airport since the Government's disclosure that its monopoly on Scottish transatlantic flights was to be abandoned in favour of an open-skies policy.

Sheffield to get

£100m airport

A NEW airport costing £100 BAA, formerly the British

million is to be developed on a Airports Authority, has been

former industrial site in Shef- appointed to operate the air-

Europe, it was announced former industrial site in Shef-

the summer of 1993. Aircraft runway will begin in early

Sheffield is the largest city accommodation, plus termi-

in Europe not to have its own nal buildings, restaurants and

airport. The proposal comes shops. Mr Hugh Sykes, chair-

the independent Govern- elopment Corporation, said:

ment-funded Sheffield Dev- "This is what the region's

elopment Corporation and the business community has been

Budge Mining Company. Air- waiting for. An ultra-modern

ports UK Ltd. a subsidiary of airport on its doorstep."

transatlantic services.

Prestwick has since been sidelined as a range of operators, including Northwest Airlines and American Airman of the Royal Bank of lines, have started flights from

An industrial and commer-

one million square feet of new

Scotland. The airline, to be Glasgow Airport. Emerald Air based in Belfast, hopes that by proposes twice-daily flights between Prestwick and Lonestablishing a hub operation at don City airport. The same Prestwick it can provide further business for the Ayrshire aircraft will provide a daily service between Prestwick and airport by attracting new Reykjavik, Iceland. Other services will include a

twice-daily flight to Brussels via Belfast and a daily service. again through Belfast, to Amsterdam. Thrice-weekly flights linking Prestwick with Edinburgh and Stavanger, Norway. are also proposed. The possibility of a route linking the airport with Carlisle and the Isle of Man on three days a

week is being considered. Details of the new airline, expected to be launched in November, were announced by Mr Younger at Prestwick.

He said: "I believe this airline will make a contribution to the future of the airport. I have found much interest in the facilities here, particularly, at congested times. Those interested in the future of Prestwick can now look much wider than purely field, providing 3,500 jobs and port, which will be built on look much wider the linking South Yorkshire with 175 acres of land straddling a transatlantic traffic."

Mr Younger said he was field's Lower Don Valley, confident that road and rail The development, just three where British Coal is carrying improvements proposed by miles from the centre of the out open cast mining. Continuous struction of the 1.200-metre links between the airport and the central belt of Scotland would go ahead.

He said: "There are quite a cial complex is also planned number of serious options ern European destinations for the site, providing up to around for Prestwick, alsuch as Paris. Brussels and one million square feet of new though, at present, I can say manufacturing and office no more than that."

Mr Bill Best, Emerald's managing director, said: "Prestwick and Belfast will be after an agreement between man of Sheffield Dev- the hub airports, and our flight will be the spokes feeding in. That is the service which has been missing from Prestwick. I cannot understand why it has been blacklisted."

far there has been a net profit from the Viking hardback edition of about £1.8 million in Britain and the US. Insiders at Penguin said there was a substantial body of opinion within the company hat would like to see it publicly dropped. One said: There is a feeling we could get ourselves out of this mess by announcing we were abandoning the paperback as our contribution towards freeing hostages like Terry Waite and

Satanic

may be

dropped

By David Sapsted PENGUIN is ready to scrap

publication of a paperback edition of The Satanic Verses amid commercial concerns that the price of free speech is proving too high to bear, it was disclosed yesterday. Since the Ayatollah Kho-

meini's fatwa against the au-

thor Salman Rushdie in February last year, the initial surge of profits from the

hardback edition of the book

has been overtaken by the security costs, estimated at £2

million a year, involved in protecting the company against outraged Muslims. So

John McCarthy." The opposing commercial view within Penguin is that, having already spent so much on security, a new round of protests pose much less of a threat and that, if Penguin decided not to go ahead, Mr Rushdie would then be free to sell the paperback rights to any other company.

Any move by Penguin to cancel a paperback version would be privately welcomed by the Government, which appears to be facing increasingly difficult negotiations over the release of hostages. Mr Rushdie himself, however, is believed to be determined to see the softback edition

published. Penguin's £2 million outlay on protecting its properties and interests in Britain and overseas does not include the cost to the British taxpayer of protecting the author, who is guarded around the clock by 10 armed Special Branch

The costs of policing, coupled with the need to find new 'safe'' houses on a regular basis, is believed to be about £1 million a year.

As well as continuing Iranian outrage over the book, the domestic threat against the author has remained un-diminished. Penguin in the UK is still getting abusive or threatening letters to add to links between the airport and | the 5.000 it had already received and this year nine Muslims have been expelled from the UK amid fears that they were plotting against Mr

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There have also been 25 bomb threats against Penguin premises or bookshops selling The Satanic Verses in Britain. In America, more than 30,000 threatening or abusive letters have been received. A spokesman for the company said yesterday that no decision on a paperback edition had been

### **Prince** supports opera fund

with a capacity up to 107 seats 1992.

will be able to use the airport.

which is likely to serve west-

Amsterdam.

By Craig Seton

THE Prince of Walcs has given his support to a £50 million fund-raising project to build an opera house in the grounds of Compton Verney, a listed classical country house in Warwickshire.

The Prince and Princess of Wales are to attend a concert and dinner at Compton Verney today in aid of the project, which would give the region its first important opera

Sir Kenneth Bradshaw. project administrator, said the Prince had shown great interest in the scheme and in the architectural plans for the opera house, which will be designed by Henning Larsen, from Denmark, who was chosen after an international competition.

Arts plan 'will cost more'

By Simon Tait, Arts Correspondent

for the Arts, to devolve funding from the Arts Council to new regional arts boards will need more money and increase administration, according to Mr Simon Mundy, director of the National Campaign for the Arts.

The exercise was in danger of becoming no more than a "bureaucratic distraction", he said yesterday.

Mr Charles Henderson, Head of the Office of Arts and Libraries and chairman of the steering committee for the new structure, this week told the public accounts committee that the scheme would save "not more than £2 million and possibly a good deal less" on current expenditure. but neither savings nor costs

had been calculated. The 12 regional arts associ-

FAR from saving money and ations are to become 10 were not accepted in the

cutting bureaucracy, the plan regional boards, with most of minister's scheme. of Mr Richard Luce. Minister the Arts Council's funding re-

sponsibility devolved to them. the proposed changes will cost Recommendations made in

the Wilding report last autumn, which had been calculated to save £2 million,



Mr Mundy: "Changes will cost a small fortune"

"Far from saving money, a small fortune," Mr Mundy said. "The Arts Council is being instructed by the minister to transfer responsibilities from one organization to 10. That has never saved money in the history of government."

He said regional board officers would have to have posts and salaries upgraded "and there will effectively be 10 mini-arts councils".

Mr Henderson's evidence had been given as the public accounts committee considered the National Audit Office report on the Office of Arts and Libraries (OAL) and the Arts Council. The report remarked on wasteful overlapping of work between the OAL, the Arts Council and the regional associations.

# Food poisoning 'killed off' dinosaurs

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

FOOD poisoning caused the death of the dinosaurs, according to evidence form-ing the basis of the latest theory for the extinction of the largest creatures roaming the earth 65 million years ago. The poison was ingested through plants contaminated by nickel in the most devastating bout of pollution suffered by the planet.

The conclusion adds a new twist to one of the scores of ideas about how the fate of the creatures was scaled when a giant meteorite hit the planet.

Dr Thomas Wdowiak and colleagues at the University of Alabama, in the United States, have conducted experiments that, he says, show how nickel got into the food chain and contaminated plants to provide the fatal ingredient. The nickel is believed to have spread across the globe in an aerosol cloud generated when a meteorite hit the earth and vaporized. British experts are scep-

tical about the idea, reported in the latest issue of New Scientist. Mr Cyril Walker, of the Natural History Museum, London, says that the theory seems reasonable until one tries to reconcile the survival of crocodiles and other reptiles with the extinction of hundreds of other species. Theories involving the impact by meteorise are among the most popular exections for the mass extinctions.

Yet those various hypotheses still depend on a two-stage effect of some sort to cause the lethal conditions, involving, firstly, a giant crater from which clouds of particles were thrown into the atmosphere to create, secondly, a veil of dust that screened the sunlight for years and brought devastating climatic change

that was lethal for both flora and fauna. Dr Wdowiak argues that nickel poisoning offers a more satisfactory explanation. His answer came unexpectedly from experiments in hydroponics, in

which plants are grown in a solution of

nutrient. The trials included a solution of

minerals containing extracts of meteorite fragments. Meteorite debris was tested because other work indicated that plants grow faster in lunar "soil", considered comparable to meteoritic material.

In practice, the leaves of plants grown in nutrient of meteorite origin turned brownish yellow, because they lacked chlorophyll. Analysis showed the cause to be nickel contamination. Although meteorites are known to be rich in nickel, Dr Wdowiak says that it was not appreciated that the nickel was in a water-soluble form that would enter the food chain, exceeding the concentration of 40 parts per million regarded as the maximum safe level.

He calculates that a meteorite with a diameter of about six miles, believed to have struck the earth 65 millions years ago, could have raised average levels of nickel in soil from 15 parts per million to between 130 and 1,300 parts per million.

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This winter, there'll be pennies off heaven. The rustling of palm trees; the sighing of the breeze; the swell of the sea: the money in your wallet. It's not a dream, it's a winter sun holiday from Lunn Poly. We're discounting every overseas WINTER 90/91 holiday booked between Value of holiday/ilight now and June 30th. line, extraspereluding insurance Un all twesses holidaes/thebre The new brochures are wirth 41,250 per person out this week. So, to make On all overseas holidays/flights sure you get the boliday of worth £750 r per person On all overseas holidays (lights wirth £150) per person your dreams, all you have to do is; one, pop into Lunn On all progress bolidays, flights worth £330 c per person Poly. two, put down £35 Un all overseas holidays/flights deposit and, three, take with CSA1 per person out Lunn Poly insurance. On all overseas holidays/thglats Three steps to heaven? -sheat to a mabble

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# Chinese dissidents wait in wings to further fight for freedom

IN A HILLSIDE cemetery to the west of Peking, a little cluster of graves each bears a photograph of a young man who died on June 4 last year. China's leaders would be only too pleased if this were all that was left of the protest movement that nearly toppled them last year. But it

A year ago, Tiananmen Square was filled each day with hundreds of thousands of demonstrators calling for a more democratic China, and the nation's media were, for the first time, responding like the media in the West. Now the casual observer is hard-pushed to find any indication of dissent.

In fact, opposition is alive and well, but biding its time. "It's like a boxing "match," a Peking resident said, 'We lost the first round, and now we're taking a breather before fighting the second

The brutality with which unarmed protests were suppressed last June has not cowed the people of Peking, but has imbued them with a sense of self-preservation. Demonstrating now would just act as an irritant to the leaders: t would be like a fly biting them, and they would swat the fly," one student said. In keeping with historical precedent, disA year ago today the People's Liberation Army was ordered into Peking to suppress student-led demonstrations, with martial law imposed the next day. On the anniversary Catherine Sampson finds the opposition still determined that, despite losing the battle of Tiananmen Square, it will win the war for democracy

leadership that would give them a

Inside China, there is just one man who dares to condemn the leaders in public as dictators. Hou Delian, the pop star, joined the hunger strike in Tiananmen Square and helped to negotiate the students' departure early on the morning of June 4. He took refuge in the Australian Embassy and then came out, carning his immunity from arrest by appearing on Chinese television to say that he had seen no one killed in the

He came to the mainland as a defector from Taiwan - the sort of man whom the authorities love to show off. So Mr Hou continues to speak out, believing that the regime would be too embarrassed to arrest him. He emphasizes that

sidents are waiting for the split in the be is a singer, not a politician, and wishes someone else would take over as sole dissident. He discourages active opposition at this point, saying: "You don't pick a fight with a big dog until you have a big stick to beat him with."

On other issues, his ideas are not persuasive. He believes that a civil war would be the best thing for China, since it would break central power and create a federation. Dissidents in exile, 100, advocate the creation of a federation, but do not see civil war as the best way of going about it.

Professor Fang Lizhi - who was seen before June 4 as China's Sakharov - is still believed to be inside the US Embassy, where he and his wife took refuge last year when they were de-nounced as criminals. There is speculation that the US and China came near to ber, even drafting the statement Mr Fang would make, but that China drew back in fear when it saw the Romanian revolution. The United States is believed to be angry and disappointed over how little progress there has been on the case.

Other well-known dissidents, released recently from prison, are afraid that they would be rearrested if they were to make anti-government statements in public. But it is not clear how long these people will remain intimidated. In the future, they are likely to reappear as forces for change. One of the most significant achievements of the students last year was to take their call beyond the campuses, and to involve factory and office workers, and even government officials. Greater democracy is no longer seen simply as a student cause, but as a rallying point for the whole of society.

Students have endured hours of stultifying political re-education, and intimidation in the form of poor job allocations since June 4. But some are still active in underground organizations. In March, Mr Zhai Weimin, sixth on the list of 21 "most-wanted" students, emerged briefly in Peking to claim that he and other activists had set up a clandestine movement, the Democratic Front for the Salvation of China.

He claimed that it had held a meeting of 60 activists from around the country in Peking, and had formulated aims, including an end to the Communist Party's monopoly on power and the establishment of a multi-party system. It did not advocate the use of violence. Nothing more was heard of the front after Mr Zhai went back into hiding. But the official media also recently confirmed its existence. Four different student organizations signed protest posters which appeared this spring.

"People find it extremely difficult to run underground organizations because you can't trust everyone," said a Peking resident, "and if you're cautious, you end up with an organization that is so secret that even the members don't know each other.'

Nor are underground organizations well-equipped, having no access to funds, and no links with the richer dissident movement in exile. Indeed, the Paris-based dissidents have had little perceptible effect on China's democracy movement. That might change if the Goddess of Democracy radio ship starts broadcasting messages of dissent to the

mainland. Most recently, two posters appeared on the campus of Peking University. One was couched in the language of the student protests, but actually echoed the Government in condemning US sanctions. The other gave the results of an opinion poll carried out by a group of graduate students, which said that the majority of students had not stopped supporting last year's movement, and would demonstrate agam.

Only a few people may be involved in underground organizations, but many more found the experience of last year's demonstrations and massacre a unifying and, in some ways, liberating experience. They discovered that they were not alone in their dissatisfaction with the regime. The massacre was an agony endured together which broke the last ties of loyalty to the Communist Party.

When Mr Li Peng, the Prime Minister, said recently that the issue of the June 4 massacre was now outdated, he was perhaps indulging in wishful thinking. "In meetings, everyone spouts the government line," one man said. But when they know they're among friends everyone in every office and every house talks about how awful June 4 was."

# Taipei ready to end long separation from Peking

From Charles Bremner, Hong Kong

animosity towards the com- interests, President Lee's Govmunist rulers of Peking, Taiwan is expected to announce steps today to start the long with which it planned to march back to reunification with the People's Republic.

President Lee Teng Hui is expected to indicate for the first time the nationalist island's recognition of the authority of the Peking govern-ment, long deemed a "bandit organization" by the national- stay together and try to sail for ists, and announce the dismantling of a longstanding emergency decree that re-stricts contacts between the two Chinas.

his surprise offer to Peking No Negotiatons, No Comthis week to hold talks on bridging the chasm created by the enmity between Mao Tsetung and General Chiang Kai-Shek, the leader of the Kuomintang party.

... In another gesture towards the communist Government, Taipei has effectively scuttled the Goddess of Democracy, the French-chartered radio the proposal out of hand and ship which aimed to broadcast wearily reiterated dissident news to the People's stance Republic. Although it allowed the vessel to dock in the post of Keeling and the project was

#### 25 killed in Manila air crash

,Manila - A twin-engine Philippines plane crashed and exploded into a fireball in a Manila residential suburb yesterday, killing all 21 people aboard and burning to death a family of four inside their home, officials said. The propeller-driven Beech-

craft 1900 aircraft went into a spin as it fell. The nose crashed into the main bedroom of a house leased by a Japanese businessman, engulfing it in flames and scattering debris and bodies over a wide area.

The plane, on a flight to the

southern city of Surigao. crashed at 6 am after one of its engines stalled minutes after take-off from Manila, investigators said. (Reuter)

#### Deal over boat people in doubt

AN international agreement on the Vietnamese boat people appeared to be close to collapse as a key meeting of diplomats in Manila drew towards an inconclusive end (Andrew McEwen writes).

· Vietnam's neighbours, exasperated after nearly a year of wrangling between the United States, Britain and Vietnam, have started to break out of the comprehensive plan of action, which was negotiated by 29 nations in Geneva last June. Hong Kong and six other countries warned that they "reserved the right" to stop providing temporary reftige if no solution was found.

#### Britain names new UN envoy

SIR David Hannay, Britain's ambassador to the European Community, is to become ambassador to the United Nations in September, it was announced yesterday (Andrew McEwen writes).

He succeeds Sir Crispin Tickell, who is probably Britain's best-known diplomat because of his knowledge of environmental affairs. Sir Crispin is retiring at 60 and is likely to take up an academic post. Sir David, aged 54, will be succeeded in Brussels by Mr John Kerr, at present assistant under-secretary at the Foreign Office.

And the state of t

four decades of partly funded by Taiwanese ernment refused to allow it to take on board the transmitter broadcast. Mr Nicholas Druze, the head of the "Boat for China" venture, accused Taiwan of caving in to Chinese pressure. Although the project was now bogged down in debt and had no means of

Japan, said Mr Druze. Mr Lee's statement, in his abandoning the party's three inauguration address, follows cardinal "nos" - No Contact

> The offer caught Peking by surprise. The most senior leader in charge of Taiwan affairs is President Yang Shangkun, who is now touring Latin America. In an opening volley in what will be a long negotiating match, a Foreign Ministry spokesman rejected

This holds that the only way

For the ageing Peking leadership, bringing Taiwan back into the fold in some form presents an attractive goal, especially in light of the quarantine imposed on it by the Western world following

Taiwan, a country of 20 million people, took its first Taiwan-born President succeeded the late President Chiang Ching-kuo in 1988.

He was initially believed to favour independence for the island republic, but he has since made clear that he sees Taiwan's future as being inextricably bound to that of the mainland. He has pushed for political reform, released political prisoners and persuaded legislators elected in the main-



President Lee's offer to Peking infuriated old-guard Kuomintang leaders, who privately denounced him for

back for what it considers its renegade province is the route of "one country, two systems". Mr Lee's framework envisages treating talks on the principle of "One China, two governments". While that notion will not be acceptable to Peking, it represents a wrenching reversal for the old

nationalists. However far apart are the demands of the two Chinas, it is clear that both consider rapprochement is to their advantage in the interests of ending the anomaly of two states claiming legitimacy and of promoting the commercial ties that are already beginning

to flourish between them. the June 4 massacres.

"Mainland China and Taiwan would benefit each other if they worked together," said Mr C. V. Chen, an adviser to the Taipei Government. "If China modernizes, there is a chance for the mainland and

Taiwan to be reunified." steps on the long march back in 1987 when it relaxed martial law. Mr Lee, the first

land in the 1940s, to retire.



# **Press-ganged Burmese** used as 'minesweepers'

From James Pringle, Maeletta, Burma

of a man with his wrists bound together behind his back.

Burma's ruthless military rulers have become so desperate in pursuing their war against ethnic minorities and Burmese rebel students along the frontier with Thailand that they are now press-ganging ordinary Burmese citizens to act as porters and human minesweepers in the border regions. According to Burmese who have escaped, these journeys are little better than death marches.

Those who resist, or are too weak to carry ammunition repression in Burma in areas and rice, or to bear wounded Burmese soldiers on makeshift stretchers, are knocked to the ground, smashed with rifle can now go. Most of those butts, kicked, then have their press-ganged have had no arms pinned behind their connection with pro-demobacks and are tossed into rivers.

The beautiful Salween river here is polluted with the dead are ordinary Burmese. as the military-run State Law "Sometimes they shoot and Order Restoration Counthern first, but at other times

hymns in a little wooden behest of the military strong are kicked into the water, church on the billside here, man, General Ne Win, tries to while in the river below there suppress the minorities and floated a grisly reminder of the the students in the run-up to dead man in the river. vicious war being fought along elections on May 27. Few believe that the polls will be fair as leading opposition candidates are in jail or under

house arrest. As I arrived by long boat in Maeletta, while the Christian Karen inhabitants sang hymns at morning service, the body of a man with his arms tied behind his back floated past in the river. Villagers say it is a familiar sight here. Talks with a dozen press-

ganged Burmese porters who have fled to Maeletta - the lucky ones who escaped alive - reveal the extent of the outside the capital where no foreigners, including diplomats accredited to Rangoon, cracy demonstrations, bloodily suppressed in September. 1988, they say. The majority

### **Briton claims torture** routinely used in jail

months in Burma said yesterday he saw evidence that torture, including electric shocks and bearings, was routinely used on prisoners there. Mr Paul Key, aged 45, a physicist from London, had been found guilty of entering the country without a visa and violating foreign exchange

regulations. Mr Key, who was held in the towns of Maungdaw and Sittwe, was deported from Burma to Thailand on May 4. Although he was well treated, beatings of other prisoners ues, and the National League and saw evidence of torture. for Democracy. (AP,AFP)

At a detention centre in A BRITON detained for three Maungdaw, near the Bangladeshi border, he saw one prisoner in a state of acute shock after interrogation by military intelligence person-nel. The man, aged 20, had electrode burn marks on his back and said he was given shocks to his head and body.

Meanwhile, 34 Burmese opposition leaders have been arrested since late last month. state-run Rangoon radio rebers of leading opposition groups, the Democracy Party for a New Society, the Union he said he witnessed daily of National Democratic Par-

THEY were singing Raptist cil, which rules Burma at the they are still alive when they said U Khin Maung Twe, a tailor, aged 33, referring to the

> He was Burmese and he was part in pro-democracy demonstrations — and this may be one reason he was picked up by police in Kyaikto, a coastal town east of Rangoon last month. After spending a night in the cells, he was handed over to the Army, transported to the foot of the Dawna mountains, then given a dozen 62 mm mortar shells to carry. He said he had not been permitted to say goodbye to his wife and children.

"We porters walked for four days up and down mountains with our heavy loads, and all of us were exhuasted." he said. We had not enough to eat just a Carnation tin of milk a day - and we were too weak to carry our burdens. Those who tried to rest were beaten and kicked."

There were about 200 porters for the 300 soldiers in the battalion he was with, which was seeking to attack Karen bases. Six of his fellow porters, all ethnic Burmese, made a break for it at dusk one evening, jumping into the Salween river to swim to the other side. "The soldiers just opened fire on them in the water, shooting them in the back," he said. "I watched five of my friends die, only one escaped to the other side."

A few nights later U Khin made his own bid for freedom. escaping just after dusk. He managed to swim across the river, and met up by chance with the other surviving escapee. Together they walked two days to this Karen village. "The soldiers told us the

Karens would kill us. but we were willing to take the risk." he said. "Anything was better ported. They included mem- than bearing the beatings and the abuse from the soldiers." He said the Karens had treated them well and although they did not have much food for themselves, they shared it.

# Bush veto threat on weapons Bill

From Susan Ellicott, Washington

THE Bush Administration, want to conclude a broad despite efforts to achieve a range of arms agreements at global ban on chemical weap-Senate Bill that would impose sanctions on countries and firms that break international

Thursday for the legislation despite knowing that President Bush will probably veto it because he prefers a law passed by the House of Representatives which gives him more flexibility. The Administration has proposed deep cuts in its own and Soviet. stockpiles of chemical weap-

abolish theirs. Congress introduced the legislation after reports last year that Iraq used chemical weapons against its minority Kurdish community. President Saddam Hussein of Iraq country procure chemical has also said he would use chemical weapons in response to a nuclear attack from Israel. to America or receiving gov-Moscow and Washington ernment contracts.

their summit this month, ons, is threatening to veto a including cuts in their stockpiles of chemical weapons. US lawmakers said they were disturbed after reports about Senators voted 92-O late on loping countries were making increasing use of chemical WESDORS. The Senate Bill would force President Bush to end American aid, credit guarantees and

arms exports to countries found using biological weapons against their citizens or in violation of international law. The Bill also prohibits such ons in order to put greater nations from exporting goods pressure on smaller nations to to, and landing aircraft in, the United States. For reasons of national security, the President could waive the sanctions for up to one year. Companies or individuals

discovered to be helping their weapons would be barred by the Senate Bill from exporting



### **Teenager** convicted over US race hate killing New York

A JURY has found a white man, aged 19, guilty of murder in the killing of a black teenager in Bensonhurst, the scene of the most serious of a recent spate of racial confrontations in the city of New

Joseph Fama, of Brooklyn, accused of pulling the trigger in the killing of Yusuf Hawkins, aged 16, faces a maximum sentence of 25 years to life in prison.

Hawkins and three friends were going to look at a car that was for sale when they were attacked by a gang of whites on August 23 in the predomi-nantly white Bensonhurst sec-

tion of New York. Mrs Tonya Bailey, the jury forewoman, delivered the verdict after 10 days of deliberations. The verdict, the first conviction in the case, was greeted with shouts outside the courtroom by Hawkins'

family and supporters. Mr David Dinkins, New York's first black Mayor, said in a statement that the guilty verdict "allows us to turn our attention to the process of healing. Yusuf Hawkins died of racism ... That is a crime more common than

of us are willing to admit." Fama was found guilty on 13 of 15 counts, including murder by depraved indifference to human life, riot, unlawful imprisonment, menacing, discrimination and criminal possession of a

weapon. The defendant was acquitted of intentional murder the equivalent in seriousness of the depraved indifference charge.

A second jury considering charges against his co-defen-dant, Mr Keith Mondello, aged 19, who was tried in the same courtroom as Fama, ended its deliberations on Thursday without reaching a verdict

Prosecutors allege that Mr Mondello assembled a gang of 30 or more of his friends because he feared 25 black and Hispanic friends of a girl from the district, Miss Gina Feliciano, were coming to beat him up. When Hawkins and his

.ends appeared on the street. the whites apparently mistook makers. Several of the batwielding whites surrounded Hawkins and pinned him down in a doorway, prosecutors said. Fama then pulled an automatic pistol and fired four shots.

Mrs Bailey, the jury fore-woman, said she did not feel the evidence supported the prosecution's claim that Fama was the shooter. "I personally had decided that he was the shooter but there was not enough evidence according to the law for me to convict him of that."

Mrs Bailey, a college professor, said the deliberations took so long because "we examined every single aspect of the law ... We had differences of opinion in how we interpreted the law." (AP)

# Smuggling dispute adds to Hong Kong jitters over China

From Charles Bremner Hong Kong

TO THE Hong Kong police it looked like a sting operation. Undercover officers arranged a deal to smuggle three Mercedes Benz cars to China and arrest the buyers when they took delivery. Things fell apart, however, when the police found themselves looking down the gun-barrels of the cars' recipients who, it turned out, were also police officers - of the

People's Republic. Now, the Chinese and Hong Kong authorities are trying to defuse what has become known as the Mercedes affair, a row that has added to the severe local jitters over China's future rule here and According to a detailed account

given to the local legislature by the colony's security chief on Wednesday, two policemen pretending to be smugglers chartered a lighter and crew of five 10 deliver the cars. While still in Hong Kong waters, they met their mainland partners on May 2 and handed over the vehicles. The buyers then reappeared in uniform and Chinese forces detained the lighter, its tug and all aboard. After frantic exchanges between Mr William Erhman, the Hong Kong political adviser, and his counterpart at the local Chinese mission, the two police officers were released the

helped drive stock prices further down.

next day, but the crew and their Chinese behaviour intensified craft are still being held.

Chinese behaviour intensified when the security chief revealed

The Chinese deny the seizure took place in Hong Kong waters and are accusing the crew of smuggling. However, after the Hong Kong Government produced photographs this week, the Chinese version has softened. Mr Ye Xuanping, the Governor of Guangdong, the neighbouring province, said yesterday he hoped a joint account might soon be released, "They sort of did a double take and squirmed when they were shown the photographs," a British official said. "But they're never going to admit it was officials smuggling."

Alarm in Hong Kong over the

that Chinese vessels had tried to enforce jurisdiction in Hong Kong waters no fewer than 82 times since 1988. The incident has heightened a widespread belief that the British and Hong Kong authorities are submitting to intimidation by Yesterday, the South China

Morning Post said it was clear that "Chinese security officials were caught in the act of smuggling luxury cars to the mainland for the use of elite buyers and were prepared to use force to make their escape across the border". The newspaper warned that "if the matter is settled behind closed

doors, the suspicion will remain in the public mind that face has been saved ... only by an agreement to fudge the facts. Once again, truth will be the first casualty, with confidence in the future China-Hong Kong Special Administrative Region not far behind."

However, members of the legislature called for officials on both sides to resolve the affair "with a low-key approach". According to intelligence reports quoted in the press yesterday, the three cars were intended as "gifts" for high-ranking officials in Guangdong.

The police say the supply of luxuries to communist officials has swollen into a huge industry. One bank account seized this year

showed a single operation netting \$5.13 million. Astronomical sums are said to be made from shipping cars, electronics and whisky into China and bringing back antiques, guns and ammunition in payment. The Mercedes deal was a relatively rare one, according to police. Normally, the smugglers prefer Japanese cars of types commonly used by officials in China.

"Chinese officials from different security departments are all vying to protect their investments," the Far Eastern Economic Review reported recently. This has led to clashes in Hong Kong waters and between members of Triad gangs; which dominate organized crime in Hone Kong.

modern German nation.

the running of the bankrupt

In return for being able to

allow West German invest-

finance ministers of the two Germanies yesterday signed Christian Democrat who likes the treaty marking the first to think of himself as Ade-and most purposeful step in nauer's political grandson, the peaceful reunification of wanted to show that the first treaty on union was a direct descendant of the Basic Law

Presiding at what he called "the birth hour of a free that Adenauer turned into the Germany" was Herr Helmut democratic foundation of the Kohl, the West German Chancellor, doubling as midwife and godfather of the treaty on the Bundesbank will take over economic, currency and social union that will introduce the East German economy, which powerful Deutschmark as the is estimated to be running a

only coinage of both countries budget deficit of DM 33 billion this year (£11.87 billion).

The Chancellor's voice shook with emotion as he 1991. Against this it is to be spoke of "the realization of the paid credits of DM 7 billion dream of German and Euro- this year and DM 10 billion pean unity". Dwarfing Herr next year. Lothar de Maizière, his dimin- In retui utive East German counter- exchange its useless currency part, in size and confidence, at parity for the Deutschmark Herr Kohl seemed aware that from July 2, East Germany has undertaken to repeal all he was in large measure responsible for having made the legislation that was suppossible "this historic hour in posed to create a planned the life of the German social economy. This will

He had chosen the cabinet

AT THE desk in the graceful become a kind of shrine to the meant to limit the amount of Palais Schaumberg where first and, to date, most ven-Konrad Adenauer worked, the crated of West Germany's construct the rundown Chancellors. Herr Kohl, a infrastructure.

As part of what Herr Kohl frequently referred to yes-terday as "the solidarity of the German people", the West German Government yesterday drew up a second supple-mentary budget of DM 2.75 billion to provide initial funding for the pensions and inevitable unemployment benefits that will be needed as the free market economy "shakes out" unproductive workers.

The economic details of the treaty, however, were less important to Herr Kohl than the historic opportunity to put an end to all the sorrows of the past century. He had earlier recognized the role Germany had played in provoking those sorrows. In compensation he now urged that the German people, united in freedom, "should serve in a united Europe for the peace of the

For Herr de Maizière, the day was "important" rather ment to pour in, confident than historic. The treaty itself taken over by the Deutschroom in what was the old that it can make a handsome represented a compromise, he bright by developing the other to profit by developing the o



ecologically orientated social market economy". Member of the Christian Democrats (CDU) though he is, Herr de Maizière appeared to pick this phrase from the programme of the opposition Social Demo-

He admitted that being

would enjoy: "We stand be-fore an important, once-in-alifetime opportunity. We want that opportunity to use freedom, peace and social justice in the service of Europe."

Herr Theodor Waigel, the West German Finance Minister, was first to sign the 33page treaty followed by Herr Walter Romberg, his East German counterpart.

Between now and late June.

Herr Romberg, lest, and Herr Waigel signing the treaty as Herr de Maizière, second lest, and Herr Kohl look on the Volkskammer is likely to be no difficulty in winning the be busy drafting and redraftnecessary support from twothirds of the members. ing the legislation needed to

> now to be paid DM 5,900 monthly (£2,122) they will probably not mind the extra Towards the end of next

month, the Volkskammer will

introduce a free market econ-The Bundestag members. omy. Since the members are who must ratify the treaty by a simple majority, will be coming back for a special session during their holidays on June 23 to do so. The SPD is still complaining that it does not like many of the terms of the be called upon to ratify the treaty, but the Chancellor is treaty, but there is expected to confident nothing can stop it.

Push for

party to

quit poll in Prague

From Peter Green

Prague

THE Czechoslovak election campaign took on strident anti-communist overtones

yesterday as four leading political parties called for the Communists either to with-

draw from the polls or to be

In a related development,

Civil Forum yesterday sug-

gested that members of the

former secret police, the STB. were preparing a disinforma-

tion campaign to disrupt par-

liamentary elections scheduled for June 8 and 9.

The parties accused the Communists of "aiming to seize power anew", and said

that their activities were "endangering Czechoslovakia's

The statement was made by

Party, all of which are trailing Civil Forum in the polls. In a front-page reply yes-

terday, the Communist newspaper, Rude Pravo, called the

demand for the party to be banned a "cheap" pre-election

trick, "The rebirth of the

Communist Party into a legiti-

mate political force of the left

is a long and painful process

for many of its members," the

It proceeded to tar its

opponents with their own

brush, accusing them of kow-

towing to the Communists'

"Even the Socialist Party

and the People's Party were

for four decades part of the

now-destroyed totalitarian

system, and brought to it

willingly or unwillingly the

Meanwhile, Civil Forum's

required sacrificial offerings."

leader, Mr Jan Urban, said

dozens of members of the STB

had been dismissed from the

Interior Minstry in the past 48

hours, and suggested that they were behind an extensive dis-

information campaign aimed

totalitarian regime.

daily said.

fragile democracy".

reople's Party Democrats, the Socialist Party and the Slovak Democratic

# Nuclear talks make progress

MR James Baker, the US Secretary of State, said vesterday that he had made progress in five hours of talks with President Gorbachov on a treaty to cut superpower arsenais of long-range nuclear weapons.

We made some progress on Start (Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty)," Mr Baker told reporters after the meeting, which ran 21: hours over schedule.

His statement, by far the most optimistic to emerge from either side in weeks, left a clear impression that the superpowers now stood a good chance of being able to announce an outline agreement when Presidents Gorbachov and Bush meet in Washington on May 30. "I'll be having a full-blown press conference tomorrow and I'll be glad to go into a lot more detail at that time." Mr Baker said.

Before the meeting began. President Gorbachov said he did not know if it would be possible to meet his and President Bush's declared goal of announcing an agreement in principle at the Washington summit. "We are doing our best to make sure we agree. We have to do this together. I think we are moving closer,"

Start was originally designed to cut superpower arsenals of strategic missiles by 50 per cent. However, exceptions have been written into the treaty that will make the real cuts more in the range of 30 to 35 per cent.

Mr Baker said teams of negotiators led by him and Mr Shevardnadze would meet again later yesterday. "We still have a number of issues that are still out there, and we're going to meet again," he said. Asked if the goal of announcing agreement at the summit could be met, Mr Baker said: "We keep hoping that we can accomplish that. I know President Bush would like to see agreement on the major substantive issues and so would President Gorbachov." Broad agreement on Start was clearly intended to crown the summit. Failure to achieve that would be bound to be interpreted as a setback in relations.

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### Walesa plea ends strike at shipyard

MR LECH Walesa, the leader of Solidarity, ended a strike by Gdansk shipyard workers yesterday, telling them worker "anarchy" would damage Poland's image abroad.

Solidarity sources said almost all of the shipyard's 7,200 workers downed tools on the morning shift to protest against low pay and allegedly unfair distribution of planned wage increases. They returned to work almost four hours later after Mr Walesa told them Solidarity leaders would negotiate on their behalf.

If you behave in such an anarchic way, the world which wants to help Poland will turn its back on us instead." Mr Walesa told a rally of some 3.000 workers.

The strike ended as a Labour Ministry spokesman announced unemployment in Poland was climbing faster than the Government expected. He said yesterday that 398,526 people, 2.96 per cent of the workforce, were reg-

#### at disrupting the elections. He said it was unlikely that istered as jobless on May foreign sources were involved. 15. (Rewer) Guerrillas suspend fight

A FACTION of the Maoist guerrilla movement, Shining Path, announced yesterday that it would "temporarily withdraw" from armed actions in its 10-year-old war to overthrow the Peruvian Government (Corinne Schmidt writes). The announcement came in leaflets left on the streets of the Andean city of Ayacucho. The "Ayacucho Base" of the organization announced the temporary ceasefire in order "to evaluate ten years of struggle", criticizing the killings of workers and peasants, but declaring that the ideological struggle would

#### Lebanese held

Tyre - The South Lebanese Army, Israel's proxy militia, has arrested five Lebanese Christians in connection with the assassination in March of Mr William Robinson, an American missionary. (AFP)

#### Aquino warned

Manila - The United States warned President Aquino that it could pull out of its military facilities in the Philippines unless Manila based its alliance with Washington on more than money. (Reuter)

#### Shamir plea

Jerusalem – Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the transitional Islaeli Prime Minister and leader of the Likud party, has asked for a further three weeks in which to form a government.

#### Demands met

Abidjan - The Ivory Coast Government agreed to meet the demands of conscripts who took over the airport and TV on Wednesday before returning to barracks. (AFP)

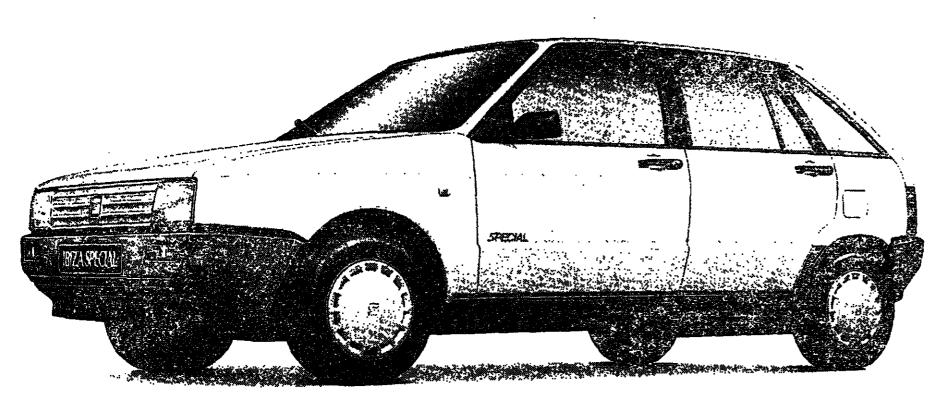
#### Careless talk

Lubbock, Texas - Mr Otto Lucas, aged 21, the son of a former Panamanian President has been found not guilty of threatening to kill President Bush while talking in a pawn shop, where he was looking at a gun. (AFP)

#### Killer executed

Angola, Louisiana - Dalton Prejean, aged 30, who fought to escape death on grounds that he was a mentally retarded teenager when he committed murder, was executed by electric chair. (AFP)

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**Observers** 

'too late'

to monitor

intimidation

From Christopher Walker, Bucharest

invited to Romania yesterday Timisoara.

to monitor tomorrow's elec-

tion said that the observers

had arrived too late to assess

the fairness of a campaign dominated by allegations of

intimidation, and are too few

to judge a vote being conducted in 13,000 polling

The observer, who asked

that his identity should not be disclosed, was a British mem-

ber of the 60-strong delegation organized jointly by Democrat

and Republican institutes in

the United States. Its mem-

bers from 19 countries were

Co-leaders of the group, which yesterday formally met

Mr Ion Iliescu, the interim

President, are Mr Roy Hat-

tersley, the deputy leader of

the Labour Party, Senator

Joseph Lieberman, and the

former schalor and American

astronaut, Mr Harrison

Other British political

personalities who will be observing the poll in different

capacities include Dr Ian Pais-ley, of the Democratic Union-

ist Party, and Mrs Edwina Currie, the Conservative MP

Cluj tests

computers

for poll

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From Tim Judah

Claj

TECHNICALLY, tomorrow's

Romanian elections should be

free and fair. Preparations for

the ballot are under way and

few complaints have been

heard about them - as op-

posed to the general conduct

In the typical rural seat of Cluj, in Transylvania, the

nerve centre of the elections

will be the town hall computer

room. Specialists have been

running test programs through

their new machines in readi-

ness for the count. So far there

Mr Traian Ranga, the

Mayor of Cluj, said that so far

the schedule for the prepara-

tion for the elections had gone

without a hitch. Each of Cluj

county's 382 polling stations

would be guarded outside by

police, soldiers and civilian

national guards, but they would not be allowed inside.

Meanwhile, at Cluj polling

station number 63, Mr

Alexandru Pavel was checking

the names of those coming in,

to verify that they were on the

An old man came in to

confirm that he and his wife

were on the list. She had

"bolnav" written against her

name. This meant that she

was sick, in her case actually

paralysed, and that a ballot

box would be sent to her

For those who can vote

normally, polling station 63 is

almost complete, with light

blue doors which can be

locked from the inside. Each

voter will be given three A4-size booklets. The one to vote

for President is straight-

forward: it has only three

names in it. However, to vote

for deputies the voters must

must leaf through a booklet

comprising six pages of pol-

itical parties, and for the

Mr Radu Borda, a member

of the National Liberal Party,

who is also on the local

electoral board, said he did

not think that the voting

booklets were too com-

plicated, as examples would

be posted up in the polling

stations telling people what to

do. He said that in Cluj there

had been no problems prepar-

ing for the elections, and only

"minor" ones in the

for foreign observers are also

well under way. Miss Ann

Bradley from the National

Republican Institute for Inter-

national Affairs in Wash-

ington said that she was in

Cluj to co-ordinate the activ-

ities of the six foreign observ-

ers who would come here. She

said: They will be put in three

cars and not told where they

are going." That would be

decided by the foreign observ-

Meanwhile, preparations

countryside.

senate five pages.

electoral roll.

home.

have been no problems.

campaign from the start, with

right-wing and centre-right

opposition parties presenting

detailed lists of alleged vi-

olence and intimidation by

supporters of the Front, which

has been accused of manipula-

ting the media. Already the

conduct of the campaign has been sharply criticized by the US and British governments. Vitally needed foreign aid

from both Washington and

the European Community is

understood to be conditional

on the observer teams giving

their stamp of approval to the conduct of the poli.

The task facing the observ-

ers has been further com-

plicated by the complexity of

38 pages thick.

attempted.

been used.

outdated lists of voters had

Voters will be choosing a

new president from three can-

didates. Mr Iliescu has

emerged as clear favourite. If

no one secures 51 per cent of

the total, there will be a re-run

among the two frontrunners.

The voters will also be electing

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ers' own co-ordinating committee. Mr Ioan Pop, chairman oi the county's electoral board. added: "We will be putting all our resources at their disposal - but of course they will have to pay for it."

#### The Romanian election



Budding democracy: Carrying a rose, Mr Ion Iliesca, the interim Romanian President, meets a television director as he is escorted into a Bucharest studio for a live broadcast with his three leading election rivals

# **Demonstrators** sceptical over freedom's dawn

From Christopher Walker, Bucharest

illusioned Romanians, Mrs Romania's past and present, Anca Finichiu has spent much of the bitter three-week elec-tion campaign demonstrating against the ruling National

At 3 am today she was still there, sitting proudly in a portable canvas chair with her daughter, Ioana, aged 14, sharing a picnic and vowing that she and her fellow protesters would never leave until "we are convinced that a true and not a pretend democracy has the protest if, as widely exbeen established in

The number of protesters willing to sleep rough to guard a barricaded zone declared as "free of neo-communism" was 10 times greater than on any night since the marathon protest first began on April 22. The Front are cowards. We do not believe they will dare to move us away because the whole world now knows that we are here," said Mrs Finichiu, who still spends her days working at a draughtsman's office where former friends refuse to speak to her because of her views. "They think that after the election we will just fade away. That is not true. I believe that even more people will come here."

A matronly woman she cuts an unlikely figure for a demonstrator. "I have brought my daughter because I want her to

pointing to stacks of news-

papers several days old which,

he claimed, had not been

picked up.
Similar complaints have

been made daily during the

campaign about the Front's crude manipulation of its control of Romanian tele-

vision, which since the revolu-

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she said. Her daughter Ioana said that at her high school the teachers tell pupils that those Salvation Front and the Com-munist records of most of its leaders.

blocking the area now re-named "Liberty Square" were paid daily salaries by the main right-wing parties opposing the Front. "I now know that was a lie, that the people out here are people of conscience who are not paid by any-body," she said.

To prevent the Front using the security forces to break up poll, the demonstrators have applied to the United Nations for protection. They have established an early warning system to alert them to police attack and have vowed to return again and again if at any stage, the area - now completely blocked to traffic is cleared.

Many, like Mrs Finichiu, have suffered repeated personal threats. Their protest is illegal under a decree preventing any form of political meeting on polling day and for 48 hours preceding it.

"The telephone rings at home with threats from voices that my family know belong to former members of the Securitate," she said. "They say that I will be killed if I go on protesting. They are using the same tactics that Ceausescu used against the Roma-

All around, small groups were warming themselves by burning paper. A self-appointed vigilante was trying to ensure sanitation, preventing the drinking or sale of alcohol and even, according to one member "ensuring moral order among the men and women sleeping rough".

"I was here on December 21 at 11.30 pm when the students faced up to the dictator and the mood of determination was very similar," said Mr Alexandris Stefan, aged 31, a bearded computer engineer. We do not hate the Front as we hated Ceausescu, but we hate that it stands for keeping us in communist chains. Why should we give up and go away after the election? Things will be even worse then if the Front wins and we are all certain that it will as it has into backing it."

This remark indicates that the split between Romanian students and workers, whose ad boc and short-lived alliance made the revolution succeed. may make the country virtually ungovernable.

#### Iliescu set to consolidate power but bitter campaign leaves a legacy of instability press distributor regularly either does not take our copies or only a small amount of them", Mr Netea added,

From Our Special Correspondent, Bucharest

result to be announced next morning. week will be unable to heal divisions which have made the country the most unstable

voting procedures, in a coun-try which has had no experi-ence of a freely conducted poli in Eastern Europe. Opponents of the National Salvation Front have defor over 50 years. With 72 manded from the outset of the parties competing, many of them little more than offbitter and violent campaign, that all former Communist shoots of the Front, the voting Party activists be excluded booklet handed out to voters in the Bucharest region will be interim President, has success-In a country obsessed by fully stone-walled on the desecurity, where informing for mand of thousands of the Securitate was until re-

demonstrators. cently a way of life for some Mr Iliescu, who has a 700,000 citizens, attempts commanding lead in all the opinion polls, has done little have been made to ensure anonymity. Instead of using a to disguise his communist roots. Even during the nowpen, voters will use a specially provided rubber stamp, which historic television broadcast could be re-used on a wide last December, when he anscale if fraud is being nounced the arrest of Nicolae Ceausescu, he addressed his The closing stages of the fellow revolutionaries as campaign saw allegations that

He joined the Union of Young Communists at the age of 14, was educated in Moscow for five years, and for 10 years was a non-voting member of Ceausescu's Politburo. He was also a full member of the Central Committee. While such a past has infuriated students and intellectuals who make up the majority of supporters of the main oppo-Leading article, page 11

Campaigning in Romania's workers who form the bulk of first free election since 1937 the Front's supporters and are ended on the same sour note expected to turn out in large on which it began, leaving numbers when polling begins observers convinced that the in 13,000 stations on Sunday

The Front, an ad hoc collection of old communists, military men and intellectuals (some of whom have since resigned in disillusion), which took control last December, has consolidated its position by taking over the old Communist Party structure in all the main industrial plants. Mr Ilie

years. But Mr Ion lliescu, the ceeded in deepening the divide in Romanian society by satisfying the basic needs of ordinary citizens, such as food, heat and light, which were denied by the paranoid dictator. At the same time, he has refused to ease the central control as his intellectual opponents have been demanding.

"The point about this election is that it was never fought fairly from the outset," explained an official from the National Peasant Party, the most right-wing opposition group. "The Front had a grip on the central organs of information, and never let them go. I hope that the international observers will look into that, as well as watching how fairly votes are

counted." His complaint was supported by the Washingtonbased Human Rights Law sition parties, it has done little Group, which made a fact- the Government, especially to disturb the blue-collar finding tour last month and those of the opposition parties deliver the paper country will go on fighting it."



Electoral outsiders: Mr Radu Campeanu, Liberal leader, and Mr Ion Ratio of the Peasant Party

have reinforced the Bush Administration's deep scepticism about a poll whose results will dictate the leadership of the country for the next sold." two years.

The group claimed that the Front's advantages were "amplified by the Government's control of television, printing presses and newsprint, distribution of national and opposition print media, international communications networks, and air and ground transport".

The rights group, one of the few to have made an in-depth study of the bizarre political legacy left by Ceausescu's 24year rule, added: "There are widespread complaints that the newspapers distributed by

whose report is understood to and certain independent papers, often fail to reach their destination, are not delivered promptly or are returned when they could have been

> Mr Petre Bacanu, president of the 4,000-member Independent Journalists' Union and one of the panel which publishes Romania Libera, snorted derisively when asked if readers in the provinces were getting their copies. "People on the trains simply throw them off," he alleged.

Mr Netea, the manager of Viitorul, the centre-right National Liberal Party's newspaper, was more outspoken. He claimed that state-controlled haulage companies were in the hands of "neocommunists and Front sup-

story from scripts held in their hands," said Mr Bacanu, echoing a complaint repeatedly voiced to foreign correspondents by frustrated voters. "Mr Iliescu could grin on the screen all day, and nobody at the television would mind."

Student anger over the campaign, which this week has erupted into illegal marches through Bucharest of a type not seen for months, has ensured that many of the revolutionaries who fought on the harricades against Ceausescu's tanks will dismiss the results. "If the Front wins, and most

people assume they will, the country will be in a big mess." claimed a science graduate, joining the demonstration. "People think we will just melt away, but that is not true. Those like us who fear that Gorbachov-style reformed porters" who refused to communism is taking over the

### **Milestones** on road to democracy

Dec 15 - Timisoara parishioners cordon house of dissident Rev Laszlo Tokes. Dec 16 - Clashes between Timisoara demonstrators and militia and Securitate. Dec 17 - Ceausescu orders ruthless repression of protests. Dec 18 - Ceausescu leaves for three-day visit to Iran. Dec 20 - Ceausescu returns. Dec 21 — Ceausescu booed at

rally. Protesters clash with troops."River of blood" in Bucharest. Dec 22 - Army changes sides.

Ceausescu flees. National Salvation Front takes power. Dec 25 - Ceausescu and wife Elena tried and executed. Dec 26 - National Peasant Party re-forms. Dec 29 - One-party rule

abolished. Jan 12, 1990 - Communist Party outlawed; decree is revoked days later. Jan 23 — Doina Cornea quits interim government.

Jan 24 - Front sets election date for May 20. Vice-President Dumitru Mazilu resigns. Jan 27 - Four associates of Ceausescu sentenced to life. Jan 30 - Front supporters besiege opposition party

headquarters.

Feb 2 - Agreement on interim parliament including all political groups defuses tension. **Feb 6 –** Tourism Minister Mihai Lupoi resigns. Feb 9 - First session of provisional parliament.

Feb 10 - Coal miners strike. Feb 13 - Provisional parliament confirms Ion Riescu as President. Feb 17 - Officers force resignation of Defence Minister.

Feb 18 - Protesters ransack government headquarters. Mar 1 — General Gica Pona. who condemned Ceausescu to death, commits suicide. Mar 20 - Three people are killed and 226 wounded in Tirgu Mures. Apr II - Former King Mich-

ael refused entry. Apr 22 - Several hundred demonstrate in Bucharest accusing Government of being Communists.

### **BUCHAREST NOTEBOOK** by Christopher Walker

# Roulette on the cards in Ceausescu's palatial folly

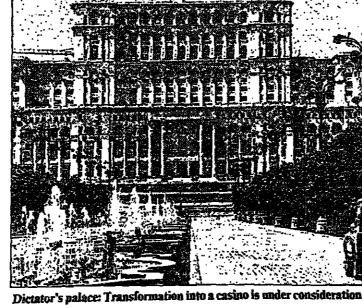
wive months after the overthrow of Nicolae Ceausescu, no final decision has yet been taken about the future of the unfinished, 17-storey, 450-room palace he was building for himself and Communist Party cronies in the centre of Bucharest.

A number of ideas for its future have been floated, ranging from Ceausescu-style destruction by bulldozers to conversion into the headquarters of some body attached to the United Nations or other international organization.

The latest plan being mooted in the upper ranks of the ruling National Salvation Front is to conven the building into a giant casino, and invitations have been sent out to a consortium of Hong Kong investors with an eye to their taking over the premises. They are due to make a reconnaissance trip

"It would be the biggest casino in the former communist world," explained one Front official, who added that a final decision would not be taken until after tomorrow's election. If the plan is approved by the Hong Kong entrepreneurs, neighbouring flats once intended to house senior Communist of ficials and Securitate agents would be converted for use by the international high-rollers the casino would aim to attract.

The deceptively named "Palace of the Republic" took a team of 17,000 workmen eight years to build and is still some nine months



from completion. Earnings from gambling in hard currency are seen by Romanian Treasury officials as one possible escape route from the country's dire economic plight. Other plans put forward, and

rejected, have been to convert the grotesque, Stalin Gothic structure into a national museum or a university. Many ordinary Romanians find its dominance of the skyline obscene and would prefer it flamened. "It is an exact replica of the system itself," one said after a recent visit. "Nothing more than an overdone facade, totally devoid of content."

best to prevent Western journalists getting visas - is now the backslapping deputy director of the election press office . . .

A mong the more bizarre reaches of Ceausescu's paranoia was his harred of dog shows and those associated with them. Under his dictatorship, the activities of the once-thriving Canine Association of Bucharest were banned, allegedly because of the opportunity that they offered to people to gather in large numbers. The association has now been revived and recently staged an

impressive comeback show in the Giulesti Stadium which combined training demonstrations with the once-popular Romanian sport of greyhound racing (also prohibited under the Communists).

Among the breeds on show were German shepherds and a magnificent Transylvanian bloodhound. So great was the enthusiasm of a public previously deprived of innocent forms of recreation ranging from decent television to yoga - now also thriving in the post-revolutinary era - that the next show is scheduled for July 1.

ne of the more eloquent obituaries to the death of communism in Eastern Europe is to be found in the first official handbook of Romanian political and economic statistics to be issued since Ceausescu's overthrow. Published this week to coincide with the close of the election campaign, it states in one key section: "Romania's economy as inherited from the dictatorial

regime is mainly characterized by excessive centralization; rigid planning; imbalances among the productive branches and subbranches; forced, overdi-mensioned industrialization without correlation with the country's resources; systematic failure in the fulfilment of annual and five-year plans; discrepancy between the consumption of resources and the results obtained; exaggerated cutbacks in imports and the forced promotion of exports at any cost, by sacrificing any criteria of efficiency."

As well as listing statistics stripped of Ceausescu's fantasies for the first time in 24 years, The Romanian Directory is also reflective of a new approach: it can only be purchased for US dollars.

eventy-three out of a total of 82 registered Romanian par-ties will be submitting candidates in next Sunday's poll, making comprehension of the polling sheets a daunting task Voters have already been warned by a senior official that they will be "as thick as telephone books".

One group which did not make it was the self-styled "Shy Party", which the poet and former dissident. Mircea Dinescu, had hoped to found as a dig against what he saw as the nation's unhealthy clamour for power.

He later abandoned the idea and will be standing instead as an

ne complaint frequently voiced by opposition politicians is that officials who flourished under Ceausescu are still to the forefront of national life. My own limited experience tends to support them. One journalist who was my round-the-clock minder during a pre-revolutionary visit in 1987 is now a senior figure in the journalists' union, while the former press attaché in Romania's Moscow embassy - who did his

# An imam in the House

**Clifford Longley** 

Lords has Just been your the Labour Party's agenda for its next turn at government, whenever that may be. But Lords reform might be enough to precipitate the disestablishment of the Church of England — and Labour might then have bitten off much more than it wants to chew.

The legal establishment of the church today consists of one great church-state symbol and several modest church-state ties. The symbol is the Crown, as head of state and supreme governor of the church. Apart from that, and the question of buildings and money, the remaining non-ceremonial bonds between church and state consist of the parliamentary veto over ecclesiastical legislation, the prime minister's role in the appointment of archbishops and bishops, and the presence of two archbishops and 24 senior bishops in the House of Legislation.

in the House of Lords.

In negotiating the 1976 agreement which resulted in the creation of the Crown Appointments Commission, the then prime minister, James Callaghan, insisted (with Conservative approval) that because bishops sat ex officio in the Lords, 10 Downing Street had to have a voice in who they were ernmental body would have acquired the power to nominate members directly to the second chamber of Parliament. The commission therefore has to submit two names for each appointment to Downing Street, and the prime minister is free to select either.

If bishops were no longer to sit in the House of Lords, or if its membership were decided by a method other than heredity or political nomination, the Callaghan case for a political hand in choosing the church's chief pastors would disappear. Further-more, the right of bishops to sit in the Lords is often cited as a quid pro quo for the right of either house to overrule the General Synod on church measures.

Aside from Lords reform, the prospect of disestablishment is still fairly remote, though the calm is deceptive. Politicians tend to say they do not want to disturb the arrangement unless the Church of England asks them to, and most churchmen seem to think there is still a rough balance of advantage and disadvantage. But loss of the right to put bishops in the House of Lords would remove one of the chief attractions, the quid without the quo. The church would then demand its release from the parliamentary veto, and the freedom to choose its own leaders.

Irrespective of more radical reform, there is already pressure even from Anglican bishops - to broaden the base of the ecclesiastical presence in the Lords. Judgrecords they find the Lords burdensome, and would gladly unload some of the work onto other denominations. Dr John Vincent, president of the Method-

eform of the House of ist Conference, recently called for Lords has just been put on Roman Catholic and Nonconformist leaders to be represented alongside Anglican bishops, in proportion to their active membership. He pointed out that the Chief Rabbi, Dr Jakobovits, already sits in the Lords, and called for places for Muslim and other leaders.

The elevation of Lord Jakobovits caused no great problem. Nor would there be much difficulty in selecting prominent Free Churchmen for life peerages. But getting Roman Catholic bishops into the House of Lords would be another matter. They would insist that their membership was on the same basis as the Anglican bishops - as Lords Spiritual rather than Lords Temporal - not only so that they could leave the Lords when they retired (as Anglican bishops do now), but also because Pope John Paul II has forbidden all priests and bishops to accept

political appointments. Dr Vincent's best hope would be to persuade the Pope that the Lords Spiritual are uniquely nonpolitical parliamentarians whose origin predates the Reformation (and so must have been approved by one of his medieval predecessors). In any event, an extension of the category of Lords Spiritual would require an Act of Parliament, and once MPs started tinkering with membership of the Lords, it is hard to see how they could be made to stop. And if, in spite of the difficulties, Dr Vincent's vision of a bench of rabbis. imams. Free Church prelates and Catholic bishops in the Lords ever came about, the Anglicans would want to know why they, alone, had to pay for their membership by submitting their affairs to parliamentary supervision, and their choice of leaders to prime ministerial discretion.

Another solution would be to withdraw the ecclesiastical presence entirely, leaving the politicians free to do what they like with the House of Lords. But that would depend on whether the intention was to use that chamber as a council of national elders, representing all strands of British life, or to politicize it as a second arena for party conflict.

Labour's thoughts seem to be moving towards the latter, which is probably a mistake. But if as a result of either sort of reform the three functioning parts of the English church establishment engine were removed, the church would have changed from an English form of church-state relationship to the Scottish form, purely symbolic, without constitutional implications. But the Scots tend to say that if their own kind of establishment did not exist, they would not dream of inventing it: as it matters so little, however, no point in di

That is not a particularly enthusiastic recommendation for the Church of England to follow. There would be more appeal in going the whole way.

Michael Evans on the fears of social upheaval that would follow mass demobilization

# No rushing Moscow on troop cuts '

The state of mind of the Soviet military has become a key factor in the negotiations over arms reductions and the future security stance of a united Germany. Until their anxieties are resolved rapid progress in either area is unlikely.

It is clear from the visit to the Soviet Union this week by Tom King, the Defence Secretary, that the Soviet high command hopes for a more sympathetic attitude from the West. It cannot have been coincidence that Moscow recently produced new figures -27 million — of the number of Soviet citizens killed in the Second World War. That explains the refusal to countenance a united Germany's membership of Nato. This may be an emotional

response, as Mr King suggested before he left Moscow yesterday, but in spite of the oft-repeated assurance that Nato is a defensive alliance, the Soviet command is apparently not yet convinced. But memories of past wars are

not alone responsible for the foot-

stamping by the Soviet military. There is a fundamental conflict of interest between their avowed support for Gorbachov's reforms and foreign policies and their desire to protect their privileged position, to guarantee their effectiveness as a military superpower and to ensure that the thousands of soldiers who are to be demobilized are well treated.

These conflicting loyalties have become an obsession. For example, there is an unmistakable mood of confusion at the Lenin military/political academy in Moscow, which was founded in 1919 to keep the revolutionary spirit alive in the hearts of Soviet soldiers. The academy instructs political officers (commissars, as they used to be called), who are responsible for the Red Army's morale and discipline, both of

which are under threat. The officers who attended a lecture by Mr King at the academy earlier this week appeared genuinely amazed when he made no promise of British troop

withdrawals from West Germany in response to Soviet withdrawals from Eastern Europe. And because of years of anti-Western propaganda, his assurances of Nato's non-aggressive strategy fell

The West may think that because of glasnost, which allows a British defence minister to travel around the Soviet Union and his Soviet counterpart to look round a British aircraft-carrier and to visit Aldershot, the commanders of the Red Army will at last grasp the point that they are not under threat of attack. But glasnost, at least as understood by the Soviet high command, should not be over-estimated. It is not yet ready to lay bare all its secrets. Although Mr King did enjoy an unprecedented demonstration of openness, it was confined to those areas in which the military knew it could shine. The visit to the airborne forces unit at Ryazan. south of Moscow, was an obvious example. The commander said the officer training school, where for every place. On the other side of the coin.

however, the official number of draft-evaders in the Soviet Union is rising - from 1,044 in 1988 to 6.647 last year. The increase in draft evasion is particularly noticeable in the Leningrad military district, where it was 18 times greater than in the previous year, in the Baltic states (24 times), the Carpathian military district (10 times) and Kiev (23 times). In one recent article in the Soviet military press, it was claimed that many young people eligible for conscription are not physically fit and that many are suffering from various ailments. The sickness rate among conscripts in 1988 was 29 per cent higher than the 1981 figure.

Marshal Dmitry Yazov, promoted by Gorbachov from general, is taking an increasingly hardline position to protect the forces from what he sees as a growing public antipathy. Public respect for the armed services has

cadets undergo a rigorous four-year course, has 16 applications raising serious questions about use of the military to quell domestic unrest. A dramatic increase in harassment and crimes against military personnel in the streets has been reported. According to military officials, the number of officers murdered showed a dramatic increase from two in 1988 to 59 last year.

Although the internal issues are a matter for the Soviet Union, they present a problem for the West as well. For if the Russians are pressed too hard to sign a conventional arms treaty which ties them down to a rigid implementation programme - in line with President Bush's proposal for a 1993 timetable — the Soviet military hierarchy will be unable to cope with the huge demobilization required under the

planned agreement.
The Soviet Union will need more than three years to reduce its forces in Eastern Europe to 195,000. That is one concession the West can afford.

# When our past is all around us, how can we ignore it?

Raphael Samuel believes those who want to play down British history as jingoistic do a disservice to children

-indigenous and new arrivals alike

f there is a single issue which has propelled history into public debate, it is the nationality question, which, under the impact of New Commonwealth immigration and settlement and the European Community, is increasingly replacing the social question as the storm-centre of British politics. For Conservatives, national history is a way of restoring a lost sense of the indigenous. History, in their view, will instil in children a greater pride in being British, and a greater sense of continuity in national life.

On the left, the very idea of a national history is suspect, being said to exclude ethnic minorities and to flatter national conceits. The privileged position given to British history in the National Curriculum has been denounced by Labour's spokesman as "jingoist", and some fear a return to insularity and ethnocentrism.

in "history from below" have attempted to sidestep the issue of nation, by advancing the claims of local and regional studies, or culture and community - "lived experience". In schools, "New" history has by-passed national history, by concentrating on the one hand on the modern world and, on the other, initiating children into the subject through the domestic and the familiar.

The government's History Working Party, shares some of these inhibitions. Though bending to the minister's requirement that the time devoted in history lessons to British history should be in-creased from 40 to 50 per cent, it is understandably more concerned to balance competing claims on the new syllabus, and to maintain

a pluralist perspective. Yet whether we like it or not, history is a national question. Even in local history, the nation remains an inescapable frame of reference. Nor can the history of minorities escape it, since it is in opposition to majorities that minorities are defined. Peculiar double-standards are at work among those who advocate a

history which starts from the familiar, and yet jib when the nation is in question, advocating instead a "global" view. More-over, even if the idea of the nation is expelled from the classroom, it will remain potent in the playground and, less inhibitedly, on television and the football terraces. If historians refuse to teach it, plenty of others will volunteer.

Does one have to be indigeneous to engage with the national past? Must such a study alienate those whose ancestral roots lie elsewhere? On the contrary, one can argue that there are advantages in a study of history from the perspective of an outsider, and that it involves a questioning of the taken-for-granted (Asians, for example, may question whether the British are a Christian people). History opens many more doors than it closes. Far from repelling outsiders, it has often provided strangers with signposts. Some of been written by foreigners. The spirit of place may be fundamental to a sense of history, but as in literature and art, it can owe as much to the sense of exile or exclusion as to territorial roots.

If British history is to be restored to the curriculum, it should be for pedagogic not patriotic reasons: it is the country which children know best (they are not obliged to love it), whose language they speak (even if they are bilingual) and whose literature they read. To be ignorant of the past of the country in which one lives is to be politically and culturally disenfranchised.

There is no reason why British history need be inward-looking. The earliest printed histories of this country were concerned to establish a European pedigree for national existence. Contemporary history, if it is to take account of Britain's changed position in the world, needs to be still more universal. It might deliberately highlight developments centred elsewhere, such as the Reformation, and show the international scope of phenomena which might be thought purely indigeneous,



such as the abolition of capital nunishment in the 1960s Instead of (or as well as)

considering the development of Britain as a "world power", it might be more profitable to consider this country as part of a larger whole, an off-shore island, say, in medieval Europe, which is how it appears on Hereford Cathedral's Mappa Mundi.

America would be as pertinent as Europe when following the fortunes of British Protestantism. Above all - if only to account for the dramatic effect of immigration - British history should treat the history of Empire as integral to our island story.

The very uncertainties sur-rounding British national identity today might make study of national history the more rewarding and demanding. The collapse of British power gives us a novel vantage point for understanding our national history. Trafalgar Day might be less pertinent than the fall of Singapore, the invention

of the spinning mule than the closure of Lancashire mills. Bilingualism now might alert us to the many speech communities in past times, and recognition of current ethnic diversity might bring into question the notion of an all-English past. The recrudescence of Celtic separatism might also encourage a different view of the nation, seen from Connaught or the Lothians, Dublin or Edinburgh, rather than Westminster.

British politics was dominated for nearly a century by what used to be called "the social question" The discovery of "the slum" in 1881-2, the invention of the term "unemployment" (which entered common currency in the same period) and perhaps fears of "race degeneration" gave the Condition-of-England Question a primacy which it retained, arguably, until the 1960s. Likewise in the 1920s, the polarization of politics on class lines was echoed in the classroom, where new textbooks made "the long march

of everyman" the unifying thread. The social question has profoundly democratized the study of the national culture, giving the dignity of history to ordinary people and everyday life; but if it enlarged the subject matter of history in many respects, it narrowed it in others. It had little to say about international relations, which were left to students of diplomacy; it usually ignored the history of Empire, and by giving a privileged place to protest movements, it was apt to begin with enclosure and the Industrial

ere the national question made a unifying thread of the history syllabus, it would take us back to much earlier pasts, asking children to join geologists and the archaeologists in considering the original conditions of island settlement and the permanent ecological features of national life. It would need to follow the record of overseas colonization and conquest, while at the same time showing how the nation was composed of warring and competing parts, showing such divisions as those between Celts and Anglo-Saxons, North and South, Church and Chapel, town and country. If it were need to consider the arts in their international relations as well as indigenous movements.

Above all, with the gathering movement for secession in Scotland and with the civil war in-Ulster now in its 22nd year, with the powers of government and the sovereignty of Parliament in question, the study of British history should from the start emphasize its own problematic nature.

"Nation" is a harsher word than either "culture" or "society", and for socialists like myself many of its associations are negative. But it is an inescapable part of the historian's lexicon, and has the merit of unifying phenomena which otherwise tend to be considered in isolation. It has space for loyalties as well as material interests: hatreds and fears as well asthe progress of reform. Since the, nation confronts us each time we open the newspapers, we should not avert our eyes from it when we turn to the record of the past.

The author is an editor of History Workshop Journal and convenor of the conference on "History, the" Nation and the Schools" at Ruskin College, Oxford, today.

### ...and moreover

### MATTHEW PARRIS

student journalist friend middle, whereas I always sit in everything wrong, for I have never learned about the "inverted pyramid". This is the basis of all successful newspaper writing, he explains.

"All the important part of what you want to say should come in the top few lines. From then on importance should dwindle. Never say anything much towards the end.' The reason is that most

readers only stay with you for a few sentences, then their attention wanders. So the wise writer, picturing himself shedding readers almost from the point when he first puts pen to paper, packs everything he can into the top. By the end he can expect almost no readers at all. This strikes me as a self-

justifying prophecy. Certainly if essays do run out of steam after 30 seconds' attention, readers will develop the mental habit of giving each article just that, and no more.

But why should we writers lie back and accept this? Should we not fight it - sprinkle the important bits quite randomly around, so readers learn the virtuous habit of ploughing patiently through the whole thing, never sure the Easter egg may not be concealed under the very last bush?

But then again, maybe the pyramid convention suits me; for by ignoring it myself, I can ensure that the significant part of my thinking is expressed in the section nobody reads. On the whole I would prefer this. On the occasions when I do try to say anything of consequence, I find my audience is irritated, baffled or bored. My secretary says my gravestone will be inscribed with the words "So what?" - yet I do enjoy revealing my thoughts. So revealing them in the passage no one reads offers the best of

both worlds. Have you gone yet? Good. Then it is safe to explain a theory I've been nursing for

months. I believe you can tell how stupid people are by the size and

position of their ears. This insight first came to me when walking half the length of si train to fetch some tea from the buffet car. Buffets are in the finished.

the front coach or the last, as we were not put on this earth to be indecisive.

Walking a train takes you through assorted carriages including the smoking car offering a snapshot of all sorts and conditions. Those who do this will know that by their primness, the anti-smoking fascists have missed a devastatingly effective theme for their campaigns.

For it is increasingly plain

that the nicotine habit is moving downmarket, and fast. Any smoker (and some of these are my friends) who is not a yob, mutant, inadequate, unemployed wheel-tapper or greasyhaired teenage slut in white stiletto heels, will know that such is the company he must now keep in trains. And some of these latter are my friends, too.

It is wonderful how war throws the classes together. Smoking cars these days are a tense coalition of that dwindling species, the educated smoker, shoulder to shoulder with the massed ranks of youths with nine empty lager cans, and women with tattoos - united, now, only by their craving for nicotine and their fear of the anti-smoking brigade.

It is a pitiful sight, as here and there, copies of The Observer open tremulously like endangered butterflies, among the starling flocks of the Sunday Sport. If the prohibitionists want a single statistic to spearhead the campaign I recommend, it should be the growing. correlation between smoking

and not washing your hair. And thus it was that I first noticed how almost everyone in the smoking car had small ears, set low on their heads.

You probably think I'm joking. You probably think I'm trying to be provocative. My friends, the truth is provocative. Born in the smoking car, my theory has been carried to the world beyond, and refined down to apply to white males, among whom it seems to work best. Significantly more stupid men have tinier, lower-slung ears than the average. I challenge science to prove me wrong. Are you still here? No? Good. You can come back, now, I've

#### Moscow calling the TV tune?

Ts the KGB using glasnost as a cover for increasing manipu-lation of Western television. After Channel 4's controversial Kim Philby documentary, the BBC is to screen an interview with escaped double agent George Blake in the autumn. Journalist Tom Bower is now in Moscow interviewing Blake for an Inside Story programme - further proof, says Tory MP Rupert Allason, alias spy writer Nigel West, that the Western media are getting more and more stupid about being manipulated. All hell will break loose if the BBC pays him." According to the BBC yesterday, there would be no such hell: There will be no payment coming from us."

Blake, born George Behar in Holland in 1922, is understood to visit Rotterdam regularly to see his mother, with the full knowledge of the Dutch authorities. Since there is an extradition treaty between the two nations, and given the British authorities' keenness to retrieve sundry train robbers from South America, the lack of interest in the far more accessible Blake seems curious.

Blake belonged to British Naval Intelligence and was captured by the North Koreans, who passed him on to Moscow. There he was activated and returned to Britain to play a double game in M16. where he pre-empted suspicion by applying to pretend to be a double agent. His luck ran out in 1961. and he was convicted to 42 years inside. After serving only five, he was sprung from Wormwood

Scrubs by Michael Randle and Pat Pottle, two peace campaigners whose case is under judicial review after the publicity about their role last year.

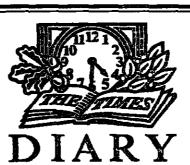
The BBC no doubt thinks it has a scoop, although it might not be as spectacular as it would wish. According to Allason, Blake's autobiography was once touted around British publishers but was said to be so boring that they all turned it down.

#### Unquestioning

he protestations of loyalty to Malcolm Rifkind, the beleaguered Secretary of State for Scotland, by Scotlish Tory MPs are beginning to sound hollow. The party rallied round Rifkind after reports of a plot to oust him at last week's Scottish Conservative conference. But Rifkind, now under fire from all sides over British Steel's plans to close the Ravenscraig steel strip mill, will be aghast to learn that not one backbench Scottish Tory MP had bothered to table a friendly question when Scottish ministers are next due to answer at the dispatch box early next month. The time-honoured practice of backbenchers bowling friendly full-tosses in the form of planted questions which the minister can then effortlessly smash to the boundary has been left to five Tory loyalists led by Nicholas Bennett (Pembroke), and not one of them nearer to Hadrian's Wall than Lancashire. They are vastly outnumbered by 45 Opposition MPs all vying to bowl Rifkind an

unpłayabie googly. Rifkind, however, can at least

will in 150



Tory MP Rob Hayward has just analysed oral questions to ministers over a four-week period and discovered that of about 180 Labour members tabling questions, a quarter were not there on the day to ask them. Hayward plans to raise the matter with the Speaker, though Rifkind would probably prefer him to keep quiet in the hope that such absenteeism

Cue for abrupt exit en Loach, left-wing enfant terrible of the British film industry, who is ruffling feathers at Cannes with Hidden Agenda, set in Northern Ireland, creates almost as much controversy off-screen as he does on. A committed trade unionist whose credits include Kes and Cathy Come Home, he has just resigned from the Directors Guild of Great Britain after accusing it of poaching members from the film union ACTT, and he urges fellow members to do the same. The Guild established itself as a trade union earlier this year and has sent members a questionnaire asking hope that a sizeable proportion of his attackers will fail to turn up. the left-led ACTT. The Guild de-

that it is merely responding to inquiries from members about dual membership.

The Guild enjoys, if that is the right word, almost united opposition from other media unions. Alan Sapper, the ACTT leader, says: "The Directors Guild is a breakaway from us. It has no negotiating rights with anybody. It should have stayed as a pressure, group, it promised us it would."

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#### Facing facts

Image is a sure sign that a politician has arrived. But Chris Patten, Environment Secretary, Tory blue-eyed boy and tipped by many as a future leader. should not get too excited after making his debut. The Patten puppet is the first in the series ever to be labelled. "We were worried that no one would recognize him." a Central TV spokesman confessed. The producers resorted to this ploy after becoming increasingly frustrated at their inability to have much fun over the poll tax David Hunt, the poll tax minister,

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Spitting Image

nies that it is poaching and insists did not appear until earlier this month, also on the grounds of obscurity - though his puppet did not suffer the indignity of being labelled. His successor, Michael Portillo, presents the same problem. Help may be at hand... however. Portillo was at school with Geoffrey Perkins, the programme's former executive producer, who ought to be able tooffer his old school chum advice. on what it takes to become a household name - and face.

 Why did Labour do so badly in the local government elections in-London? Margaret Hodge, Labour leader of Islington council and chairman of the Association of London Authorities, has some down-to-earth advice. "We have to. do the obvious things and do them well," she says in the latest issue of Tribune. "We have to clean the streets and answer the telephone."

#### See who's looking on-

R omania's first proper elections for 53 years have brought together an unholy: alliance of British MPs in Bucharest as observers. One of the first to arrive yesterday in the hope of ensuring fair play was the Rev Ian Paisley, who flew in after campaigning in the Upper Bann by-election, where armed police -guarded the ballot boxes. He is being joined by Edwina Currie, Roy Hattersley and Labour whip. Robert Wareing. Dozens of peers and MPs applied to the Inter-Parliamentary Union to act as observers for tomorrow's poll. With accusations of gerrymandering by the ruling National Salvation Front thick in the air, this. unlikely gang of four might, strangely, find common cause.

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> dodgy oyster). Considering that the dinosaurs were trotting

> > P. T. Barnum, the great showman, used to publish advertisements claiming that his exhibition included "The tallest dwarf in the world". Customers rolled up in large numbers only to find a perfectly ordinary six-foot man lolling in a chair. That, surely, must cause suspicion to fall on the American diggers. After all, the bones of a two-foot dinosaur could easily be confused with those of a reasonablesized Labrador. If the Prof blows his trumpet a little too loudly, he may find himself being

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## ROMANIA ON THE RACK

A miracle may yet save Romania from the misfortune of a decisive victory for the ruling National Salvation Front at tomorrow's general election. The Front, in the guise of the country's "interim government", has fought a vicious campaign, marshalling behind it the whole former communist apparatus which, with dependants, accounts for some 5 per cent of the population.

In Bucharest and in the multi-ethnic parts of Transylvania to the west, where the rising against Ceausescu began, the Front emerged in its true colours: as the vampire of democracy. Further from the international limelight, in the remoter regions of Moldavia, the Front made it almost impossible for the two main opposition parties, the National Liberal Party and the National Peasants' Party, to campaign.

The opposition has itself made several serious mistakes, beginning with the decision to revive two old parties which were widely discredited half a century ago. Before and after the war, the Liberals and Peasants failed to hold the line against totalitarians, both fascist and communist. In 1990 their successors again failed to unite against the common foe. Romania may now reap the consequences.

The opposition presidential candidates -Mr Radu Campeanu of the Liberals and Mr Ion Ratiu of the Peasants - are themselves septuagenarians, and may have hoped to revive old loyalties among the generation which remembers the pre-communist era. Any such advantage was outweighed by the ease with which the Front's leaders, President Ion Iliescu and Mr Petre Roman, the Prime Minister, have been able to divide their opponents.

They have presented Mr Ratio, a wealthy London émigré until the revolution, as a reincarnation of the hoary old capitalist stereotype. Mr Ratiu, albeit an untainted anticommunist, was probably wrong to allow his name to go forward. As an exile, he was certain to arouse mixed feelings in a country which has suffered as much as Romania did under Ceausescu. In the comparable situation of 1945, Thomas Mann declined to let himself be installed by the victorious Allies as the figurehead of a democratic Germany. When the writer returned from Californian exile, he was dismayed by the hostility he encountered. Nations usually reward their Jeremiahs only posthumously.

Towards Mr Campeanu the Front has alternated between physical intimidation,

which is reported to have terrified him sufficiently to deter him from leaving the capital in the latter stages of the campaign, and friendly overtures designed to compromise the Liberals with their supporters, who have bravely demonstrated against the Government in the squares of Bucharest and Timisoara. In the televised debate between the three presidential candidates broadcast on Thursday, Mr Campeanu appeared not to exclude the idea of a coalition with the Front.

The arrival this week of foreign observers ought to ensure fair play at the polling booths. With hindsight, there is little doubt that these scrutineers should have been present throughout the campaign. A concerted effort by the European Community to induce Mr Iliescu to submit to a strict monitoring regime might have had a real impact on the result.

The official Romanian media tried last weekend to misrepresent The Times' criticism of the belated British diplomatic protest as acquiescence in the Front's own denials of electoral malpractice. Such mendacity has typified its conduct ever since Ceausescu's overthrow. Official denials of the anti-Hungarian pogrom in Tirgu Mures in March inspire no confidence.

That is one reason for the West, for all Romania's neighbours, and for Hungary in particular, to treat any future government dominated by the Front with extreme caution. Another is the Front's economic platform.

Messrs Iliescu and Roman, once communists in the pro-Moscow minority of Ceausescu's party, now present themselves as straightforward Romanian nationalists. They promise job security and economic gradualism, in superficially attractive contrast to the economic shock treatment offered by the opposition. The Front has deliberately omitted to explain to a population still traumatized by the ordeal of Ceausescu's rule that foreign investors will refuse to come to Romania's rescue, unless its government is prepared to scrap not merely Ceausescu's most atrocious excesses, but his entire economic system.

The offers of continuity of employment to tens of thousands of state-employed workers in government, the security services and bankrupt "commercial" enterprises may win elections. They do not rescue economies. Mr Iliescu's advisers talk of introducing "market mechanisms" in three years time. Romania cannot wait that long.

#### **CHANGING THE GUARD**

Further questions will be asked about security at military bases in this country when the Commons defence committee reports next week. Instead of calling, as is expected, for much stricter vetting of private security firms hired by the Ministry of Defence, the committee should ask why Whitehall uses private companies in the first place.

The subject is inevitably sensitive. MPs began their four-month investigation in the shadow of last year's bomb outrage at Deal. Their report will follow hard upon two more IRA attacks in London. Policy should not be swayed by the emotion which such atrocities engender. The Government is right, for instance, to reject the use of security guards at Army careers offices and other "soft" IRA targets in town centres. To seal the Army off from the public would be to concede defeat to

There are two compelling reasons why the policy of contracting out security should end, or at least be substantially modified. The first is that for the Armed Forces, trained to guard the country, to hire commercial firms to protect them is an absurdity. The second is that they could do the job better.

Arguments in favour of the practice have rested essentially on cost-effectiveness. Guarding MoD establishments is boring routine. Passes have to be checked, briefcases searched and the undersides of vehicles examined. The work, it is alleged, hardly requires a commando's training. It is a waste to release fighting men from the central front in Germany.

· The job definition should be rethought, recognizing that constant vigilance requires people who are trained for it. Civilian security services have become a burgeoning industry.

Those who peddle their services possess uneven quality and experience. There is general recognition of the need for official scrutiny. But the Armed Forces would do better to take direct charge of military security, rather than continue to subcontract a vital area of operations, even under tighter controls.

The Ministry of Defence has begun to acknowledge this. It has recently confirmed that it is considering setting up its own special force, whose role would be to guard MoD establishments. This goes some way to answering the criticisms. But there is no evidence it needs a new body.

The ministry already employs its own police force, in addition to more than 300,000 servicemen. The recent Defence Estimates, moreover, committed it to spending £126 million on improving security at its military bases. To impose a fresh layer of bureaucracy on a budget which is already under strain hardly sounds like a sensible option.

The Government should revert to using servicemen to maintain security at their bases and MoD police at softer non-military targets. The argument that this would waste the energies of soldiers required to protect Western Europe has lost much of its force in recent months, and internal security against terrorism of all kinds has become a priority area for the

After two decades on the streets of Northern Ireland, British soldiers have acquired an expertise which few civilian personnel could match. Recent events suggest that the best use should be made of these skills. To continue to hire private firms is not only unnecessary; it could be counter-productive. The vigilance required in standing guard is in itself a form of military training.

#### SURFEIT OF DINOSAUR

The mystery is solved at last. Dr Thomas Wdowiak, of the University of Alabama, has revealed that the dinosaurs died out not because of gamma-rays, or climatic changes, or holes in the ozone layer, or even stupidity. They died of food poisoning. Mad dinosaur disease did them in.

Apparently there was an immense quantity of nickel lying about at the time. The beasties grazed off plants contaminated with the stuff, and before you could say "Another lousy film coming up" they all keeled over. (Other experts are said to be "sceptical of the idea", some no doubt certain that the cause was copper, not nickel, others pinning their faith to aluminium, and others insisting that it must have been a

about at least 100 million years ago, they have an annoying habit of getting under the feet of contemporary passers-by. Another American academic, presumably determined not to be upstaged by Dr Wdowiak, has announced that he has found the bones of dinosaurs which were only two or three feet high.

belaboured with an umbrella for disturbing Fido's last resting-place.

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Even if they are real dinosaurs, they are something of a disappointment. Most people like their dinosaurs to be gigantic creatures of the utmost ferocity; there would be little interest in a dinosaur called Diddums which trotted along on a lead and was fed Winalot biscuits by its doting owner.

Nor does that exhaust this week's dinosaur news. Someone on the Isle of Wight, of all peaceful spots to start a row, has excavated not a dinosaur, nor even a dinosaur's femur, nor yet a half-chewed lump of nickel, but a dinosaur's footprint. He dug it out with a chisel, and it took him hours, but the National Trust, which owns the land on which the dinosaur stepped in the mud a hundred million years or so ago, insists that it belongs to them.

Similes are flying. The Trust says that it is like taking a picture from one of their stately homes, whereas the man with the shovel maintains that it is like picking up a shell on the seashore, and in between there is a faction likening it to a fossil. There can be no doubt that the monster was the full-sized variety, not the lap-dinosaur kind: no doubt the Isle of Wight excavator would have spurned an offer of a footprint made by the miniature variety.

Perhaps a kind of dinosaur Crufts could be set up to settle all such matters; the committee could rule on the authenticity of the little ones and the ownership of the giant footprint. But it would be a very brave committee that dared to give an authoritative ruling on the cause of the dinosaurs' disappearance. Here's a disturbing thought; when we have disappeared, will there be a similar debate on what finished us off? Reading too much about dinosaurs, probably.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Britain's role in South Africa

From Sir Peter Fawcus

Sir. The two key men in South Africa. President de Klerk and Mr Mandela, are to have talks with Mrs Thatcher. She will be in a position, for a brief moment, to influence events in their country.

A constituent assembly which could serve as an interim government, on the Namibian model, is not necessary in South Africa; nor is it feasible on the ANC's (African National Congress) terms, which involve elections on a non-racial universal franchise. The immense preparatory task of compiling a voters' role would unduly delay the start of substantive negotiations on the new Constitution.

All that is required is a national convention, similar to that convened in 1908 to work out the details of a new Constitution, but constituted from representative leaders of the different political groups.

The ANC look forward to a time when they themselves, organised as a political party, may assume power in a united South Africa, but until there is a new dispensation after a constitutional settlement their prospects of doing so depend on the established government, the only power in the land capable of maintaining the integrity of the State. Without that power, deep-seated tribal and political conflicts could quickly lead to chaos.

In view of the probable duration of the main negotiations on the Constitution there is an urgent need for an interim government which will involve the blacks themselves in the task of creating a non-racial State and removing the vestiges of apartheid.

The tricameral Parliament should be replaced as soon as possible by a single chamber, which would include all races, early elections being achieved by means of communal representa-

The proportion of the different racial groups would be a matter for negotiation, but in view of the need for early agreement, this would be a time for an offer to the blacks of sufficient representation in Parliament and ministerial responsibilities in government to ensure their support.

Yours faithfully, R. P. FAWCUS, Dochart House, Perthshire. May 17.

#### Tackling oil slicks From Dr G. B. R. Feilden.

Sir, The latest oil slick incident off

the south-west coast (reports, May 14, 16, 17) shows once more the inadequacy of present arrangements for dealing with such occurrences. It took four days before a concerted attack was mounted on the slick, and the action then taken failed to prevent oil reaching the shore.

Proposals, of which I am joint inventor, have recently been made for a radically different approach to the containment of oil slicks. These involve the dropping from a low-flying aircraft or helicopter of a radio-controlled skimmer, which could be at the site of the disaster within an hour or two of its occurrence. The skimmer would float on the surface of the sea and as it was propelled through the slick its V-shaped booms would collect the oil into a replaceable reservoir at their base

#### Thames salmon

From Mr Peter J. Gough Sir, Your recent reports (May 5, early editions, and May 7) of salmon freshly trapped at Moseley Weir, near Hampton Court, point to more proof of the success of our salmon restoration in the Thames. The work is now largely financed by the National Rivers Authority. with development work funded by the Thames Salmon Trust, a

registered charity. To ease the salmon's journey to their spawning grounds we are planning 22 fish-passes, or "lad-ders", which will allow salmon to ascend the otherwise impassable weirs. The Trust has already attracted sponsorship and donations for the construction of 12 of

#### **Dunkirk evacuation**

From Lord Keves

Sir, I would like to correct two small but crucial dates given in Brian James's article (May 12). "Operation Dynamo" did not commence on May 17, 1940, nor did the surrender of the Belgian Army take place on that date. Lord Gort, Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force, decided on May 25 to race northwards to Dunkirk and "On-

eration Dynamo" began on May 26. Although my father, Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes, was at King Leopold's side as Churchill's special liaison officer throughout the Belgian Army's 18-day campaign they were not informed of the British flight

Leopold inspired his gallant army to prolong its resistance until May 28. Hence in the words of The Times's former Military Correspondent, Sir Basil Liddell Hart: "The British Army was saved from destruction by King Leopold ... who was then violently abused in Britain and France".

Yours faithfully, KEYES. Elmscroft, Charlton Lane, West Farleigh. Maidstone. Kent.

#### Fairer treatment of the 'underclass'

From the Director of the Runnymede Trust

Sir, Professor Plant ("Uplifting the underclass", May 15) makes some important points and misses others. Rarely have academia and the media been so seduced by a concept as sloppy and unsophisticated as that of the "underclass". Its continued use may produce more fog than light.

Men - and women - have been asking for money at railway stations in London for as long as I can remember. What is important, however, is the increase in young beggars in inner London. When I founded Centrepoint Soho, the allnight centre for young homeless 21 years ago, we saw very few young beggars although the signs of the increase in the numbers of the marginal were clear. The appearance of young beggars has been swift and dramatic.

In the USA, study of the underclass has become a highly-profitable activity. But Britain differs markedly from New York, Chicago, and Detroit in that the bulk of the "underclass" are not black. Yet the warning signs are clear. As many black people have begun to ascend the ladder of affluence, the trends towards entrenchment of deprivation in districts of residential segregation have become sharper. The gulf between the black bourgeoisie and the black poor has become wider. But again what is new? The black middle class is following the white majonty.

We are talking not only about "the poor", but about those who feel they have no stake in society, who are non-citizens, and have lost their human dignity. Surely we need to be asking questions not about how to "uplift the underclass" but about what features of our society have led to such dehumanisation and oppression. And this must mean looking beyond poverty to the central values of the powerful. As R. H. Tawney wrote, what thoughtful rich people call the problem of poverty, thoughtful poor people call the problem of riches. Ought we not to be starting to debate further up the scale - with the

"overclass"? Yours sincerely KENNETH LEECH, Director, The Runnymede Trust. 11 Princelet Street, E1.

From Professor Antony Flew Sir, Professor Raymond Plant is very quick to reject Charles Murray's contention that welfare bene-

from which the oil would subsequently be recovered. For transport, the skimmer

would be inflated after leaving the aircraft - in exactly the same way as lifejackets are. So far this proposal has not aroused any interest amongst the equipment manufacturers whom we have approached though its cost would not be excessive.

The method of dealing with oil

slicks which I have just described will enable the vast majority of the slick to be recovered before it has become emulsified with sea water. Moreover, this invention is a case of "prevention being better than cure" in that it provides a method of collecting and removing the spilled oil, so preventing at source the severe ecological damage which we have seen with past oil slicks.

Yours faithfully. G. B. R. FEILDEN, Verlands. Painswick, Gloucestershire.

#### the 22 required fish-passes and the two latest ones, at Sunbury and Cherisey, are to be officially opened on May 22.

Since 1979, the Thames has been restocked annually with young salmon and our initial target is to see 1,000 adult salmon a year returning to spawn. Our best year to date was 1988, when 323 were caught in our trap and then released. Many others will have got through without being trapped and it is thought the total run was about 500 fish.

Yours etc. PETER J. GOUGH (Fisheries Officer). National Rivers Authority, Kings Meadow House, Kings Meadow Road. Reading, Berkshire.

#### Museum changes

From Dr S. Conway Morris, FRS, and others

Sir, Rather than list in detail why the proposed reorganization of the Natural History Museum is so misguided, let us cite just one example. The study of diatoms is to be terminated. These singlecelled plants secrete exquisite skeletons of quartz, beautiful to behold but surely of no practical relevance? Unfortunately they are. The cover of last week's edition of Nature sports a magnificent example of a diatom, while inside an article explains their utility for acid-rain studies.

Are the Government and its myrmidons in the Natural History Museum quite incapable of recognizing that if you cannot identify a diatom, the whole basis of future investigation of these and other environmentally sensitive organisms is prejudiced. Yours faithfully. SIMON CONWAY MORRIS, GRAHAM BUDD. RACHEL WOOD, CHRIS NICHOLAS,

University of Cambridge,

May 11.

Department of Earth Sciences,

Downing Street, Cambridge.

#### fits to those who are neither handicapped nor elderly should be cut rather than increased. But he

fails to reveal Murray's reasons for so contending. They are that the massive researches reported in his Losing Ground: American Social Policy 1950-80 have shown that in the USA hugely expensive poverty programmes have actually been counter-productive.

Instead of uplifting the under-class they have, if anything, tended to keep it down and to increase its numbers - above all by reducing or removing the traditional disincentives both to unmarried motherhood and to non-participation in the labour

By not revealing either Mur-ray's reasons or his own reasons for rejecting these Professor Plant does an injustice. For this makes it seem that Murray is callous and indifferent. On the contrary: the truth is that it is precisely because he is so sincerely and so rationally concerned that he wants to have done with judging programmes and policies by their good in-tentions rather than by what he believes to be their actual bad

Yours faithfully, ANTONY FLEW. 26 Alexandra Road, Reading, Berkshire. May 15.

From Mr Fred C. Freeman Sir, Members of governments and managements often fail to recognise the fact that, if they lower the morale of people, they also reduce the energy that could be

creatively at work. The more sense of responsibility people have through their social projects, the less likely will be their desire to overthrow the existing social order, because they will feel that they themselves are an effective part of a real establishment which has been originated by them.

The charitable voluntary sector as a whole may be viewed as an essential mediator between the State and the individual with their corresponding opposed dangers. Charitable purposes thus imply group activities intelligently aimed at mutual aid, and the provision of finance, by those who are able to give, for those less fortunate who would benefit by receiving.

Yours faithfully, FRED FREEMAN (Chairman), Give As You Earn (United Way), 8 Nelson Road,

#### Romania's future

From the Reverend John Johansen-Berg

Sir, Your report (May 14) on the rejection by Mr Iliescu of any interference by the British Government in the affairs of Romania highlights the complexities of the current situation.

I visited there in April and preached in a church in Cluj-Kolozsvar on Palm Sunday. I was able to discuss current needs with a number of people. Clearly basic food and other aid and medical equipment is still urgently needed. but much is already being done to meet this need. Beyond this there is longer-term need to help with programmes of church and community reconstruction.

There is a need for reconciliation in a situation where nationality, religion and culture are closely intertwined. Those countries that are keen to offer the hand of friendship to Romania are right in urging the interim Government - and the Government that will be elected in May - to ensure that ethnic violence and intimidation of political parties are ended. It is to be hoped that the misunderstandings of the past can be forgotten and a new era of

reconciliation begin. Yours faithfully, JOHN JOHANSEN-BERG, Barnes Close. Chadwich Manor Estate, Nr Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. May 14.

#### Cardinal's successor From Mr R. M. Purcell

Sir, Your Irish Affairs Correspondent is on very doubtful ground in suggesting (report, May 10) that the Irish Prime Minister is likely to have "a strong say" in the matter of the succession to Cardinal Ó Fiaich as Archbishop of Armagh and Catholic Primate of All Ireland. Vatican sources confirm that it would be most unusual for the Irish Prime Minister (or any other prime minister in such circumstances) to have anything like the kind of influence which this phrase implies.

The Papal Nuncio in Dublin may, of course, consult whom he wishes, including Mr Haughey, but there could be no question of Mr Haughey's exercising any special influence over the Nuncio's recommendations. The Nuncio will be well aware that the character and outlook of the Irish Primate can powerfully spur or retard Cardinal O Fiaich's dream of orderly and democratic progression towards the unity of Treiand

Incidentally nuncios around the world submit recommendations for bishoprics through the Congregation of Bishops in Rome to the Pope. The choice is the Pope's alone.

Yours sincerely MICHAEL PURCELL (Head of Chancery, HM Legation to the Holy See, 1973-76), French Mill Cottage, Shaftesbury, Dorset-May 10

#### Cycle lanes that fail to please

From Mr T. Piercey

Sir, I hope that the cycle lanes planned for London (report, May 8) have more success than those built recently around Bristol. These were originally built for pedestrians, with facilities for cyclists added as an afterthought; thus the surface has been laid to pavement standards, which is very rough for bicycles to use. Later lanes are built to a better standard. except where they are just widened pavements.

Lampposts and road-signs obstruct the lanes, which are treated like pavements by the footpathhighway department. Thus, piles of wood chippings and unfinished man-hole trenches block the tracks for weeks on end.

Where the lanes cross roads, no facilities are provided to help in crossing the road. Thus, when traffic is heavy, the crossing is blocked by queueing cars; when it is less heavy, the speed of the vehicles makes crossing dangerous.

The cyclist is left to decide whether the added risk of hitting fixed objects or pedestrians, the time wasted waiting to cross roads and the increased damage both to the bike and the rider from the poorly-built and maintained cycle lane more than offsets the reduced risk of being hit by another vehicle.

The majority of cyclists continue to use the roads, rather than the cycleways, which seems a bit of a waste. There is also another hazard: motorists, seemingly incensed by cyclists still using their roads when cycle lanes have been built, who take great pleasure in trying to force them off "their"

Yours sincerely, T. PIERCEY, 59 Downend Road, Fishponds, Bristol, Avon.

From Mr Ronald Osborne Sir, As a resident of Isleworth until 1977 I am reminded by Mr A. C. Scales's letter (May 4) that the local cycle paths were then frequently used for parking by residents, making progress somewhat

protruding from beneath one of these parked vehicles, much to my, and the owner's surprise.

I wish Mr Scales much joy from his cycling, both at home and abroad, for many years to come.

tricky; presumably this is still the case. On one occasion I unwit-

tingly rode over a pair of legs

Yours faithfully, RONALD OSBORNE, 5 Harebell Close, Hartley Wintney. Basingstoke, Hampshire.

From Mr J. Peter Morris

Sir, We do not need proposals for network of 1,000 miles of lanes in London. In this part of the capital city the lanes already exist and are intensively used. They were formerly called pavements and footpaths.

Yours etc. J. P. MORRIS 88 Ridgmount Gardens, WC1. May 8.

#### 'Mad cow' disease From Miss Anne Goyder

Sir, A Smithfield worker interviewed on radio this week about "mad cow" disease summed up the problem succincily. "They should never have fed them meat", he said. We, the baffled consumers, have discovered that this practice has gone on for years, but clearly the laws of nature can no longer be flouted with impunity.

Let us ston this unethical and pernicious practice (which is also one of the causes of salmonella in eggs) and feed our cattle on vegetarian products only (as do the French farmers - hence their healthy stock). Let us stop pretending we can reverse and rule the natural order of creation and relearn the humility, the humanity and the common sense to live in harmony with it.

Yours faithfully. A. B. GOYDER, Gate Cottage, Hampstead Norreys, Newbury, Berkshire. May 17.

Supply of teachers

From Dr Richard Aldrich Sir, The recommendation of the Education, Science and Arts Committee of the House of Commons in its report, "The supply of teachers for the 1990s", that the Government should establish a "general teaching council" is wel-

come news indeed (report, May 10). There is widespread support for such a body, amongst parents, employers, teachers' associations and teachers themselves. Indeed a recent survey of 1,200 teachers by the College of Preceptors showed that 94 per cent were in favour of a ;

Yours faithfully, RICHARD ALDRICH (Chairman, GTC sub-committee). The College of Preceptors, Publications Department 44/45 Museum Street, WC1.

Knowing one's place

From Miss Cherry Lavell Sir, Whatever happened to "moving"? Why do we all have to "relocate" these days?

24 Fitzroy Road, NW1. May 14. Letters to the Editor should-carry

a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -(871) 782 5046.

Yours etc.

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### **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** May 18: His Excellency Mr Oswald M Gibbs was received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for Grenada in London.

Mr Peter Hinchcliffe was received in audience by Her Majesty and kissed hands upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Republic

Mrs Hinchcliffe was also recrived by The Queen.

The Earl of Drogheda was received by Her Majesty and delivered up the Insignia of the Order of the Garter worn by his father, the late Earl of Drogheda. The Queen this afternoon unveiled The Queen Caroline Memorial in Hyde Park.

Her Majesty was received by the Lord Hesketh (Under-Secretary of State, Department of

The Right Hon Sir William Heseltine was in attendance. BUCKINGHAM PALACE May 18: This morning The Princess Royal, Patron, Nat-ional Garden Festival Gateshead 1990, opened the Festival at Gateshead, Tyne and Wear and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Tyne and Wear (Colonel Sir Ralph Carr-Ellison).

Afterwards Her Royal Highness, President, Council for National Academic Awards, attended the Academic Awards Ceremony at St James's Palace, Mrs Charles Ritchie was in

attendance.
In the evening The Princess
Royal, President, Save the
Children Fund, attended a
performance of The Barber of
Seville' at the New Theatre Cardiff and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for South Glamor-gan (Mrs Susan Williams).

#### Royal engagements

TODAY: The Prince and Princess of Wales will attend a concert in aid of the Compton Verney Opera Project at Compton Verney, Warwickshire, at 7.00.

TOMORROW: The Princess Royal, as Patron of the Associ-ation of Combined Youth Clubs, will visit the thirtieth anniversary Festival of Youth at

### Memorial service

Sir Keith Granville A memorial service for Sir Keith Granville was held yesterday at the Church of St Bartholomew-the-Great, West Smithfield. The Rev A.W.S. Brown officiated Mr David Granville, son, and Sir Ross Stainton read the lessons and Mr Richard Hilary paid tribute. Among those

present were:

Lady Granville (widow), Mr and Mrs Cothwaper and Mr and Mrs John Rose toons-in-law and daughten), Miss Victoria Granville and Miss Solarh Granville and Miss Solarh Granville Granville and Miss Solarh Granville Granville and Miss Solarh Granville Granville Mrs Maringold Minear (depdaughter), Miss Kay Scott, Miss Deborah Schwaper, Miss Gaire Schwaper, Tom Rose and Alice Lestie (grandchildren), Mr James Granville Mrs Annie Stuart, Mr Tony Stuger, Mr and Mrs Victor Rose.

Sir Henry Marking, Sir David and Lady Williams. Gir David and Lady English. Sir Basil Smallpetce, Lady Scainton, Capitain Coin Barnes and Mr Ketth Wilkins (representing the Capitain and the Chef Enecutive of British Antways), Dr Edward R Major Greenston, Grand Granville Mr A Finch (representing the Radio Officers of Imperial Advanced Information of Transport), Mr R J Walden Granville Bachelor, Mr Richard Aguiter Death Marwick McLintocki, Mr A Finch (representing the Radio Officers of Imperial Advanced Holland Mr A Finch (representing the Radio Officers of Imperial Advanced Holland, Mr A Finch (representing the Radio Officers of Imperial Advanced Holland, Mr A Finch (representing the Radio Officers of Imperial Advanced McLintocki, Mr Robert Esden (Imperial Society of Knights Bachelor), Mr Richard Aguiter Oreal Marwick McLintocki, Mr Arodrew Hollpes, Mr and Mrs Philip Lawton, Miss P Mr and Mrs P Miss P Mis

Birthdays

TODAY: Miss Candice Bergen, actress, 44; Sir Peter Bowness, solicitor, 47; Brigadier Sir Fred-erick Coates, 74; Dr Edward de Bono, lateral thinker, 57; Mr James Fox, actor, 51; Sir Harold Himsworth, former secretary, Medical Research Council, 85; Baroness Hylton-Foster, 82; Mr David Jacobs, broadcaster, 64; Air Chief Marshal Sir Thomas Kennedy, 62; Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, broadcaster, 48; Dr A.I. Lenton, former chairman, Bowater Industries, 63; Mr John Bowater Industries, 63; Mr John Lyons, trades unionist, 64; Mr Noel Mander, organ builder, 78; Sir Edward Parkes, vice-chancellor, Leeds University, 64; the Earl of Pembroke, 51; Dr Max Perutz, OM, CH. molecular biologist, 76; Sir Kenneth Preston, former chairman, Stone-Platt Industries, 89; Sir Michael Scott, diplomat, 67; Sir James

Her Royal Highness was at-tended by The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke.

CLARENCE HOUSE May 18: Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston has succeeded the Lady Elizabeth Basset as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. KENSINGTON PALACE

May 18: The Prince of Wales visited HMAS SYDNEY (Com-mander Brian Robertson RAN)

at Portsmouth.

His Royal Highness was received by Rear-Admiral J J R Tod (Flag Officer Portsmouth). Commander Alistair Watson

RN was in attendance.
The Princess of Wales. Patron, British Sports Association for the Disabled, attended the Association's "Wheelchair Basketball Day" at the Fountain Leisure Centre, Brentford. The Hon Mrs Vivian Baring

and Lieutenant-Commander Patrick Jephson RN were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE

May 18: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon visited Evesham this afternoon and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Hereford and Worcester (Cap-tain Thomas Dunne). Her Royal Highness opened the County Library and Abbey Gates Shopping Centre. Mrs Jane Stevens was in

attendance.
KENSINGTON PALACE May 18: The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, Helen Arkell Dyslexia Centre, this afternoon visited the Centre and opened the Lecture Hall at Frensham, Farnham, Surrey.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE May 18: Princess Alexandra, attended by the Lady Mary Mumford, left Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon for Berlin.

Steel, former chairman, Furnes:

Withy and Company, 81; Professor Gordon Stone, chem-

ist, 65; Mr Pete Townshend, guitarist and singer, 45; Mr Sandy Wilson, composer, 66; Miss Victoria Wood, com-

TOMORROW: Mr John Arkell,

of administration, BBC, 81; General Sir Hugh Beach, 67; Sir

David Berriman, chairman, North East Thames Regional Health Authority, 62; Dr Sir Clifford Butler, former vice-chancellor, Loughborough University, 68; Mr H.T. Cadbury-Brown, architect, 77; Sir Hary Campion, esticicien

Sir Harry Campion, statistician, 85; the Rev Professor Owen

Chadwick, OM, ecclesiastical historian, 74; Professor Richard

Cobb, historian, 73: Flight-Lieutenant J.A. Cruickshank,

VC, 70; Mr Lynn Davies, ath-lete, 48; Mr Keith Fletcher,

cricketer, 46: Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir John Harrison, 69; the Earl of Iveagh, 53; the Very Rev Professor John McIntyre, theologies 74: Mr Beter Shore

MP, 66; Sir William Simpson, former trades unionist, 70; Mr James Stewart, actor, 82; Mr

Iain Vallance, chairman, British

Telecom, 47.

**Marriages** 

dustrialist and former director

edienne, 37.

#### **OBITUARIES**

### **BOB DANVERS-WALKER**

Bob Danvers-Walker, broadcaster, stuntman and for 30 years the voice of Pathě News. has died at the age of 83. He was born on October 11, 1906.

ACCLAIMED by the Guinness Book of Records as "the world's most durable commentator", Bob Danvers-Walker gave the cinema newsreel a distinctive style with his rich, fruity voice and unfailingly upbeat tone.

Although much parodied in later years, his unashamed optimism and patriotic endorsement of the British way of life had a wide popular appeal, particularly during the Second World War when he played a significant role in the boosting of public morale.

During his time with Pathé, which spanned the years from 1940 to 1970, Danvers-Walker covered most of the big events of the period and thanks to the already international medium of the cinema, his voice became immedately recognisable throughout the world.

If his Pathé scripts often required him lapse into fa-cetiousness or bathos, he was also capable of striking the right note of sincere gravity, as in his commentary on the funeral of King George VI in

In the same year he produced an outstanding broadcast from the Farnborough Air Show when the aircraft of the

inventor, died aged 86 on May

Another design was a so-

called "scissors assault bridge" which could be carried

on a tank chassis, then opened

from an idea he had in his

armoured vehicles to use, was

won the war.



**BRIG STAIR STEWART** 

Experimental Bridging developed the use of solar

hand tragedy was both vivid and MOVIDE.

When in his fifties Danvers-Walker started a new career as rolled by the BBC's Now disabled ship.

On another occasion he test pilot John Derry exploded after breaking the sound barrier. Danvers-Walker's first-vision by walking a high wire with the London weekend walker in Cheam, Surrey, but grew up in Tasmania where his chartered accountant

Brigadier Stair Agnew Stew- commemorated. Stewart, Middle East Land Forces

art. CBE, bridge designer and being Superintendent of the 1953-56 where he successfully

1. He was born on April 23, Establishment, foresaw the potential of the Bailey bridge quarters. He was at the Minits portability, ease of istry of Supply from 1956-59.

THE best known product of manufacture and adaptability. After retirement he was Directions of the best known product of manufacture and adaptability.

Establishment which Briga- in five months from incep-dier Stair Stewart led was the tion. It was first used in the He made his own windscreen

Bailey bridge. Without it, Italian campaign, then in washers for his cars long Field Marshal Montgomery north-west Europe, and then before the rest of the world

said, Britain would not have to replace bridges blown up by had them; flickering lights for won the war.

to replace bridges blown up by had them; flickering lights for retreating Germans, thus roadworks were his idea; and a

maintaining the Allies'

A Brigadier-General's son,

Stewart was educated at Win-

mental Bridging Establish-

ment where he took part in the

concept - on the back of an tion and Works at the War His wife predeceased him

envelope by Donald Bailey, a Office from 1950-53; and and he is survived by a

civil servant whose name it Deputy Director of Works in daughter, Carolyn.

chester and commissioned

momentum.

description of the above the Earl's Court Road behind a professional wirewalker, an Italian who spoke no English.

He went on to became a a television stuntman. En- familiar face, as well as a voice, in the early years of ITV programme with a £30,000 when he announced the prizes nsurance policy, his stunts on Michael Miles's quiz show, included jumping over a 100- Take Your Pick. He also foot cliff and escaping from a provided the voice-over for many television commercials.

He was born Cyril Danvers-

tor of the British Road Tar

roadworks were his idea; and a

lawn edge-cutter, based on his

idea, was patented by Stewart

He was appointed OBE in

1949, CBE in 1956 and was

ADC to the Queen from 1957-

59. He was also awarded the

American Legion of Merit for

passing on expertise in bridge-

He was an enthusiastic

and was manufactured

Duilding.

After the war Stewart was cricket supporter and tennis

Association for 12 years.

father had set up a woollen mill. He attended Launceston Grammar School and, after various jobs, started his broadcasting career with a local radio station in Melbourne in 1925.

With his extrovert personality and gift of the gab he took naturally to the job, specializing in outside broadcasts and being one of the first commentators to broadcast from an aircraft in flight.

In 1931 he moved to the continent of Europe as the chief announcer of the Inter-national Broadcasting Company, working for commercial stations such as Radio Normandie.

Early in the Second World War he worked under the French Ministry of Propaganda in countering German broadcasts. He later discovered that this work had earned him a place on the Nazi blacklist.

After the war, apart from his Pathé job, he became a popu-lar radio broadcaster on such programmes as Housewives Choice, Film Time and Opportunity Knocks.

A sturdy traditionalist in many areas. Danvers-Walker deplored what he saw as declining standards in broadcast speech and frankly believed that commentating and news reading were jobs too serious to be entrusted to

He is survived by his wife, Vera, and one son and one

## CHARLES KNIGHT

Downs and other British landscapes, died on May 15 aged 88. He was born in Hove on August 27, 1901.

A PROFOUND understanding of both the temperament and creative methods of John Sell Cotman, whose work he first saw at the British Museum in 1924, firstly unlocked the doors to Charles Knight's own visual language.

Knight benefited all his life from a stable family background and a series of close friendships which were to aid his painterly gift. His father. who came from the Sussex farming community, worked for a Brighton publisher and as an enthusiastic amaleur first took his son sketching as a four-year-old.

After 1919, when Knight entered the Brighton College of Art, it was his painting tutor, Louis Ginnett who advanced the range of Knight's mind. Four years at Brighton was followed by two years at the Royal Academy schools. He also studied etching at the Royal College of Art and highly valued the visits of academy figures like Walter Sickert.

At college Knight's fellow student Charles A. Morris was the first to realize the potential to them both of the English Watercolour school. However, at prize-giving it was Knight who won the Turner Medal and the Landseer Scholarship. His prize com-position (Llangollen) was bought for the Tate Gallery by Sir Joseph Duveen.

All Knight's professional life was spent in the Brighton

Charles Knight, a painter in post at the college in 1925.

oil, tempera hut especially Marrying a fellow student 3 watercolour of the Sussex from his earlier Brighton days, the illustrator Leonora Vasey, in 1934, they settled at Ditchling and remained there the rest of his life.

Knight was Vice-Principal of the Brighton College from 1959 to 1967.

During the Second World War Knight strongly desired to join the RAF but, at the insistence of his colleagues, he remained at the college, serving part-time in Home Guard and on Civil Desence duties.

But Knight also received a wartime commission from the Pilgrim Trust to record his native Downland which he did in 40 magnificent watercolours. His views of traditional flint homes and timbered buildings in the Brighton area, as well as the town's fine terraces, were lovingly recorded in case Germans bombs might destroy

Showing at the Royal Academy from 1924, he was elected. to the Royal Institute of Painters in Oils in 1933 and also in that year to the Royal Watercolour Society. Here he became a member in 1935. and a vice-president from 1961 to 1964. Sir William Russell-Flint once described. him as "a true pillar of the Old Society."

A long series of commissions came from the Brighton architect, J L Denman, for perspective drawings, pub signs for the Kemp Town Brewery company and for stained glass windows at-Ditchling, Seaford, and St Leonards parish churches, as well as numerous murals and also works of craft and stone.

His wife predeceased him, area, he took up a teaching but he is survived by one son.

### DAVID HUGHES

Professor David Leslie to the Veterinary Pathology Hughes, CBE, Professor of Veterinary Pathology at Liverpool University from 1955 to 1978, died on May 4 aged 77. He was born on Öctober 26. 1912.

DAI Hughes, as he was known to the whole profession, was born in Egypt of North Wales parentage. He was educated in Britain at Merton House, Wycliffe College and the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

After a short spell at the Beaumont Animal Hospital, he embarked upon a research career with the aid of an Agricultural Research Council studentship. His work was principally in the field of veterinary pathology.

He later joined the Boots Pure Drug Company, and soon became head of its veterinary science division. He held this post until 1955 when he decided to change In 1974 he married Jean Saul; direction, and was appointed who now survives him.

Chair at Liverpool. From that time onwards, he managed to combine research, teaching, concern for his students as well as involvement in the affairs of his profession to an outstanding degree.

He served as Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University from 1975-78.

Hughes became President of the British Veterinary Association in 1963, Eleven years later he was chosen as President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, and thus joined the small group of men who have held the presidency of both bodies.

He had also been a member of the Animals Board of the Joint Consultative Organisation for Research and Development in Agriculture and Food.

# **Dinners**

was sturdy enough for Donald Bailey into it.

the team of designers at the With Stewart's backing the

army's Experimental Bridging Bailey bridge was developed

up like a scissors so that it into the Royal Engineers in

spreadeagled the gap to be 1924. Two years later he was

crossed. Stewart thought up a selected to join the Experi-way of making it function mental Bridging Establish-

bath. The Bailey bridge, which original interview to recruit

first drawn up - a brilliant Deputy Director of Fortifica- player.

Mr J.A.C. Drake and Miss L.M. Kennard
The marriage took place on Saturday, May 12, at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Cattistock, between Mr John Drake and Miss Lucia Kennard. The Rev Rex Hancock and the Rev Donald Lowe officiated. The bride was given in mar-riage by her brother and was attended by Henrietta and Rose de Pelet, Florence Drake, Lucy

Mr Peter Shore

Kennard, Simon Morrison. Hector Drake, Freddie and Geordie Barrie. A reception was held at the home of the bride and the

honeymoon is being spent abroad. Mr H.A. Elwes and Mrs A.W. Hale

Norfolk, between Henry Arthur Elwes and Anne Wilhelmina Dr D.A. Greenwood and Mrs S.C. Jackson

The marriage took place in High Wycombe, on May 5, between Dr Derek Greenwood and Mrs Sonia Jackson. A reception and Manor.

married quietly on Thursday. May 17.

The marriage took place quietly on Monday, May 14, 1990, in

Farriers' Company The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied the the Sheriffs and their ladies, were the guests of honour at the annual livery dinner of the Farriers' Company held last night at the Mansion House. Dr W. Derek Tavernor, Master, Mr Timothy Neligan, Upper War-den, Mr John Barsham, Middle Warden, and Sir Gordon Shattock, Renter Warden, re-Mr J. Peacock and Miss A. Walker Mr John Peacock, Fox Farm, Amport, Hampshire, and Miss ceived the guests. The Master presided and the other speakers Angela Walker, Guildcount House, Sandwich, Kent, were were the Lord Mayor, the Renter Warden and Mr J.S.M.

Royal Aeronautical Society Mr G.C. Howell, President of the Royal Aeronautical Society, Lord High Commissioner Lord Ross, Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, was host at the annual dinne held last night at the Hotel accompanied by Lady Ross, Inter-Continental. Mr R.H. Evarrived in Edinburgh to take up residence at the Palace of Holyroodhouse and last night ans, and Mr Cranley Onslow, MP, were the speakers.

entertained at dinner the Speaker of the House of Com-mons and Mrs Weatherill. Royal College of Radiologists Dr J.O.M.C. Craig, President of the Royal College of Radiologists, and Mrs Craig were hosts Among others present were: Among others present were:
The Lord Provos of Edinburch and
Mr McLaughlin, the Moderator of the
General Assembly of the Church of
Scotland and Mrs William McDonald,
the Lord Justice-General for Scotland
and Lady Hope, the Secretary of State
for Scotland and Mrs Riffond, the
Dean of the Chapel Royal in Scotland
and Mrs Robin Barbour, Mr Nor Guild, Mr and Mrs William Reid, the
Rev Dr William and Mrs Morris and
Brigadier and Mrs Ian McLaughlan. at a dinner held last night at 38 Portland Place after Professor P.J. Guillou, Professor of Sur-gery, St Mary's Hospital, London, had delivered the Crookshank lecture.

Old Warwickian Association Mr R.T.J. Holl-Allen, President of the Old Warwickian Association, presided at the Spring dinner held last night at the House of Commons, by cour-tesy of Mr Harry Greenway, Cheshire, Headmaster of War-wick School, and Mr Greenway also spoke.

Luncheon British Council Sir David Orr. Chairman of the British Council, was host at a luncheon held yesterday at the Institute of Directors in honour Nkabinde, Rector, University of

Cranborne Chase School Performances of the school play

school as soon as possible. Fyeter School

13+ Open Scholarship: Jeremy Clarke, Exeter School (formerly Exeter School (formerly Exeter Cathedral School). Addard & Stevens Exhibition: James Wheeler, Exeter Cathedral School. Marthad Shawe Exhibition: James Marthad School. Schibbiton: Max Modes. King's Hall. Taunton.

Worth School has made the following Awards: Scholarships: Joseph Matiri, Homewood House, Tubridge Wells; Nicholas Desmond, Worth School, Junfor House: Alastair Lockhari, Farteigh School, Andover: Fracer Moore, Farteigh School, Andover: Dominic Bevacqui (Maths & Science) Worth School, Junior House, Exhibitions: Thomas Cainan, Worth School Junior House; Simeon Sevens, Stoke Brumwick, East Grinslead.

Wrozali Abbey School, Warwick
The 1990 Reunion will take

# **School news**

"Right to Choose?" will be held at Old Wardour Castle at 2.30pm and 7.30pm on Sat-urday, June 23. Old girls and former staff are invited to one of these performances and also to a buffet supper at the school at 5.30pm. Admission to the play and/or the supper will be strictly by ticket only and applications for these should be made to the

Exeter School announces the following second and final list of Awards:

Worth School

place on Saturday, June 30. Members of the O-L Society wishing to attend who have not received an invitation should contact the School Secretary.

Service dinners Royal Yacht Officers Officers who have served in the Royal Yachts held their reunion dinner at HMS Nelson (Whale Island) last night. Rear-Admiral J. Garnier, Flag Officer Royal Yachts, presided. Among those

present were: Vice-Admirals Sir Jock Slater and Sir Phillip Walson: Rear-Admiral- Sir Paul Greening Sir Hugh Janion. Sir Richard Trowbridge and P B Rowe and Surgeon Rear-Admirals D A Lammiman and R E Snow.

Royal Naval College Greenwich Mrs Rosie Barnes, MP, was the guest of honour at a ladies guest night dinner held last night at the Royal Naval Collee Green-wich. Commander M.P. Sauvage. Commander of the College, presided.

London and Kent Artillery The London and Kent Artillery held at ladies' night dinner at the Royal Artillery Mess. Wool-wich, last night. Colonel DJ. McLelland presided. Major M.F. Collett. honorary secretary, and Colonel G.S.P. Carden also spoke.

## Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.F.J. Bennett and Miss R.M. Fox

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Dr and Mrs F.D. Bennett, of Gainesville, Florida, and formerly of Curepe, Trinidad, and Ruth, daughter of Mr and Mrs. J.T. Fox, of Chesterfield, Derbyshire.

Mr T.J.St.C. Brown and Miss S.F. Talbot

The engagement is announced between Timothy John St Clair Brown, The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards, younger son of Capt and Mrs Kenneth Brown, of Long Ponds, Lower Layham, Suffolk, and Sonia Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gordon Talbot, of Audiey House, Bath,

Mr C. Bryan and Miss R.A. Gilmour The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Violet and the late Arnold Bryan, and Rosemary Anne, daughter of Jack and Margaret Gilmour, of Chichester.

Mr K.S. Cooper and Miss J. Nilsson

The engagement is announced between Kevin Simon, only son of Mr and Mrs David Cooper, of Walderslade. Kent, and Johanna, daughter of Mr and Mrs Tryggve Nilsson, of Orebro.

Monsieur P.G. Grandjouan and Miss K.M. Horgan The engagement is announced between Pierre Guillaume, only son of M and Mme Gilles Grandjouan, of Montpellier, France, and Kate Margaret eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Edward Horgan, of Mortimer,

Mr J.M.F. Halford and Mrs D.M. Stewart The engagement is announced between John, only son of the late Mr and Mrs C.F. Halford, of Broughton, Hampshire, and Diana, younger daughter of Col and Mrs P. Keymer, of Burley,

Berkshire.

Hampshire, Mr W.G. Lowe and Miss C.I. Bloodworth The engagement is announced between William, elder son of Mr and Mrs W.M. Lowe, of Felden, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, and Catherine, elder daughter of Mr C.E.

Bloodworth, of Marbella, Spain.

and Mrs J. Bloodworth, of

Ashley, Cheshire. Mr C.R. Mathewson and Miss J.K. Mason The engagement is announced between Craig Raymond, son of Fay and Robert Mathewson, of

and Miss A.E.L. Kelly The recent engagement in Texas is announced between Ronald Frank, only son of the late Wing-Commander R.C.H. Amelie Eloise Lisa, youngest daughter of the late Mr William F. Kelly and of Mrs Kelly, of New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. Mr A.H. Normand

and Miss S.E. Corlett
The engagement is announced
between Anthony Hill. son of the late Mr Patrick Normand and of Mrs Susan Tippett, of Susan Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Corlett. of Walton on the Hill, Surrey.

Mr T.A. Scott and Miss A.M. Parker The engagement is announced between Terence, elder son of Professor and the late Mrs Thomas Scott of Ithaca, New York, and Amanda, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs Douglas Parker, of Lymington. rtampshire. Mr D.J. Thomas

and Miss L. Peart The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Dr and Mrs W.I.T.E. Thomas, of Brackley. Northamptonshire, and Louise, elder daughter of the late Mr T.G.A.H. Peart and of Mrs T.G.A.H. Peart, of Hurworth-on-Tees.

Mr G.H.G. Threifall and Mrs G.M.M. Vacher The engagement is announced between Gerald Threlfall, of Hampstead. London, and Jill Vacher, of Clapham, London.

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#### Reception

HM Government Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Minister for Home Affairs and the Environment at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Edinburgh Castle to mark the European Trade Promotion Organisations' conference.

Service luncheon

22nd (Cheshire) Regiment Brigadier W.K.L. Prosser, Colonel of the 22nd (Cheshire) Regiment, presided at the annual Regimental Officers' Association luncheon held yesterday in London.

City of London Solicitors' Company

The following have been elected officers of the City of London Solicitors' Company for the ensuing year:
Master. Mr D.L. Biddle: Senior
Warden, Mr R.I.V. Dixon: Junior
Warden, Mr J.A. Rowson.

# Church services for tomorrow

CANTERSURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC. 9.30 S Euch; 9.30 M; 11 S Euch, Missa Festiva (Pesters), Tantum ergo (Durulle), RI Rev P Walker; 3.15 E & Ittany in Procession, Responses Larune, Rt Rev P Walker, 3,15 E & Llany in Procession, Responses Aylewsay), Murtil in E. Litany Tamat: 6,30 Sermon & Compline. The Architecture. The Archicacon.

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uch. Misse bel Annibit altera

Lassis). Let all mortal flesh keep

dence (Bairstow). Canon Dr W Jacob: 11.30 M. Responses extendaru, sumford in B fast; 4 E. 8 John's Service
(Topper), A song of wisdom (Stanford), Camen J for Stanford), Responses &

Williams in G. Rev J Hambarton:
11.30 HC, Mass (Stravinsky), Rese up
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thy Lord is risen (Wasphan Williams).

Rev P W Pritchart.
WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 3 HC: 10
M. Responses (Smin), Benedictus in C
(Shanford), Oculi omnium (Wood),
Camen C Semper: 11.15 Library &

Abbey Euch, Mass (Stravinsky), Litsay (Harvey), Canon C Semper: 3 E.

Purcell in G minor, Lift up your heads
(Handel), Mr C Whitney: 54 G Organ

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CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVVA. Serbiam Orthodox, Lancaster Rd. WI: 10.30 Divine Lifution.
THE CHAPEL ROYAL St. James's Palace: 8.30 HC: 11.15 MP. Blessed be the God and Father (Wesley). Canon M A MOSON. OUEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY. WC2: 11 M. Stanford to 8 flat Greater Love hath no man Greland). The Chaptein.
ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL. The Chaptein.

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL.

Greenwich. SE10: 8.30 HC: 11 S

Euch. God is a Spirit (Bennett). My

Soul there is a Country (Parry). The

Chaptein. CABBLIN.
GUARDS CHAPFL Wellington Barracks, SWI: 11 M. J know that my redeemer lives () M Bach), Declare his nomour (Purcell). The fast Guards.
The Chaptain: 12 HG
LINCOLN'S DNO CHAPFL: 11.30 MP.
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ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) WC2: 9 HC: 11 Euch. Mass in G Schusp. Mass P A Wright, Court Chapter, ROYAL, Hampton Lettary, Royce in A. Linny Goodsmorth. Rev. J. Bleesse; 3.30 E & Rabitan, Fear J. Bleesse; 3.30 E & Rabitan, Fear J. Bleesse; 3.30 E & Rabitan, Fear J. Paince: 3.30am HC: 11 m or seasor, source in A Linary Coosenorce. Rev J Blesse; 3.30 E & Bantism. Fear O Land (Elpar). Noble in B minor. The Wildernees (Wesley), THE TOWER: 11 ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11 S Each. Canon P Delancy. ALL MALLOWS BY THE TOWER IT
SEICH, CENON P DESIREY.
ALL SARNTS, Migrearet Street. W1: 8.
5.15 LM: 11 HM, Missa O quash
gloticsum (Victoria), Let all the will
in every corner sing (Vaughen WIliams), Rev J A Younger 5 E & D.
Wood in D. O Lord the maker
(Minney), Rev P McGreary,
ALL SOULS, Langham Piace, W1: 11
Mr D Turner: 6.30 Communion
Sarvice, Rev I Benliev; IRCH, Old
Chilch Street, SW2: 8, 12 HC: 10
Childram's Service: 11 M. Rev J H L
Cross: 6 E. Mr D N Royce.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHELSEA, SW3:

8 HC 11 S Euch, Rev S Actand,
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Audiev Street: 8.15 HC: 11 S Euch,
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amilable (Weelkes), Rev A w Maris,
HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road,
SW7: 11 HC, Preb J T C B Collins:
6.30 ES, Rev J A K Millar,
HOLY TRINITY Prince Consort
Road, SW7: 8.30, 11 HC, Rev Dr M
Brael. HOLY TRINITY, Steame Street, SW1: 9,30, 12,10 HC: 10,30 S Euch, Rev K L Yales.

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SM: 11 HM. Missa Brevis in D (Mozart). Fr P Baker: 5:30 LM.

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT.

Smithfield. EC: 9 HC: 11 M & HC. ireland in F. Non vos relinquam (Byrd). The Rector: 6:30 Euch, Missa Brevis (Selber). Adoramus in Classus).

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Bower, President of the British Veterinary Association.

The Rector.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 M & Euch, Short Service (Byrd). Missa Bel Amfurit (Lassus), Canon J Calest 6.30 E. Responses t Conductors, Seath of Carlot (Gibbons), Canon J Calest Service (Gibbons), Canon J Calest ST CUTHERENTS, Philippach Cardens SW6: 10 HC: 11 S Each, L'Hora Passe (Vadana), Thou traited the earth (Greene), Rev J Vine; 6.30 Heating Service, Mr S Patilison, ST GABRIEL'S, Walm Lane, NW2: 17 Communion, Jesu, Joy of man's distring (Bach), Fantasia in C minor (Bach). (Bach). ST GEORGE'S, Bloomsbury, WC1: 10 Fuch, Br Thomas; 6.30 EP. ST CEORGE'S, Hannyer Square, W1: 8.30 HC: 11 S Euch, Writlock in G. O Salutaria (Elgar). Very Rev J Mc-Crethy. Carthy.

ST GRES IN THE FIELDS. St Glies
High St. WC2: 8, 12 HC 11 MP. Rev
C C Taylor. 6.30 EP. Rev P J G C Taylor: 6.30 EP. Rev P J Calloway: S. Muswett Hill. N10: B MC !! HG. Rev M Bursker: 6.30 EP. Rev M Parker: Piccadilly, W1: 8.30 HG !! S Euch: 6.45 EP. S. S. S. S. LAMES'S. Sussex Gardets, W2: B HG. 10.30 S Euch. Missa Tempore (Haydn). Surce by man (Hazsel). Rev Galloway: G E. Pausboordon (Moore). Let Code drive (Lotte). Rev G

V & B.
T JOHN THE DIVINE Vassall Rd.
W9 & LM: 10 HM, Mass in A minor
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T JOHN SWOOD CHURCH, RWS:
HC: 9.30 Parth Commission: 11 s
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LIGH'S COMMISSION THE
LCAT 6.30 EP. Rev A Walker;
T LUKE'S Chelses, SWS: 8, 12.15
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Butchers: 6.30 E. 0 Lord the maker
dundy, Rev S Actand. (Mundy), Rev S Aciand.
ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd. NW1:
S HC: 10 Family Communion: 11 S
Euch, Mask in F miner. (Hauntman).
When the Lord turned again (Batten).
Rev T Devonshire Jones.
ST MARCARETS. Westminster.
SW1: 11 M. Responses (Byrd), Collegiam Repair (Howells). The Litary
(Talls). Hymn. after the Song of Freedom Sizafard), Rev J Barten:
12.15 HC. 12.16 MC.
ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2S. 12.50 HC; 9 46 Euch. Jess the very
thought of Thee (Bairstow). Rev M
Harmood: 11.30 Visitors Service.
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prayer (Mendelsohn). Rev S Roeback; 2.45 Chinese Sorvice (HC). Rev
G Lee: 5 E. Responses (Smith of
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T MARY ABBOTS, Kensington, WB;
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\*\*MARYLEBONE\_ Marylebone Road, W1: 8 HC; 11 Euch. Missa Brovis in F Oldcard, O Padre nonro (Verdi), Rev T Rust: 6.30 E. Rev R MCLaren ST MARY-LE-STRAND (WRNS CRurch), Strand. WC2: 11 Commission of Commissio

Service, New D. L. Priet: 725 of rt., Rev D. C. I. Priet: 75 Michael. 5. Cornhill. Ecs. 11 Euch. Jesus taid. "Fear not your Father knoweth" (Thalben-Ball). Alrock in B flat. There is an old beliet (Parry). ST PAUL'S, Onslow Square, SW7: 10.50 Morning Service, Mr J Jen. nings. ST PAIG'S, Willon Place. SWI: 8. 9 HC: 11 S Euch, Missa Cantale Shesherdt. O how amiable are the dwellings (Vaughan Williams). Rev H Ruschmeyer. Ruschmeyer.

ST PETER'S. Eston Square. SW1:
8.15 HC 10 Family Mass. 11 SM,
Missa Sine Nomine Chassler). In exitublad (Wesley). Fr D Tillyer.
ST SIMON ZELOTES, Miliaer Street,
SW3: 8 HC 11 Parish Communion
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Ave verum Opering). Rev D Littlefair:
6.30 Rev K Yates.
ST STEPHEN'S. Geodester Road,
SW7: 8, 9 LM: 11 SM, Minna Petre ego
pro te topavi (Lobo). Survens Jesus
(Philips). Offertorium (Bruckner). Lopro le logavi (Lobo). Sursens Jesus iPhilipsi, Offeriorium Bruckner). Locus iste Gruckner). Pr G Morgan: 6 & 8, Pr J Towers.
ST VEDAST. Foster Lune. EC2: 11 SM. The Recise. THE ANNUNCIATION. Bryanston Street. Wi: 11 SM. Missa Sancia Joannia de Deo Glaydo). Maker of all Be They my quard Glaydo). 6 LM & 8. 5T COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Pent Spret, SWI: 11 Rev H Ress: 50 Rev 5 Dunteave CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOT-LAND, Covent Carden, WC2: 11.15 Rev K G Hughes; 6.30 Vivaldi's 'Gioria'.
THE ASSUMBTION, Warwick Street, W1: 8, 10, 12, 4, 6 LM; 11 SM, Mina L'Hora Persa (Viadana), O Praise the Lord (Batten). Let thy merciful ears (Weelbur).

pulchra es Maria (Lambert), Ave Maria (List), Maria (List), Ave Maria (List), Ave Maria (List), Ave Maria (List), Rosa (List), 17 No. 18 No. 1 Praise to Thee Lord Jesus (Schutz).
12 15. 6.30.

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Kensington High Street, WE 8.50. (D. 12.30.
6.30 LM: 11.16 SM, Missa Brevis in D. (Mozarit, Non vos relinausan orbitanos (Birra). Ave Maria (Mutray).
AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tothenham Court Rd. WI: 11 Rev Run F Aillean.
CITY TEMPLE. Holborn. ECI: 11.
6.30 Rev E Waugh.
CHELSEA METHODIST CHURCH.
King's Road. SWS: 11 HC. Rev M
Braddy: 6 Ms L D'Aeth.
HINDE. STREET METHODIST
CHURCH. WI: 11 Rev L Griffiths:
6.30 United Service at Westminister
Central Hail.
KENSUNGTON TEMPLE. (Charis-Central Hall.

KENSINGTON TEMPLE, (Chartsmatic), Notting Hill Gate, W11: 9, 11, 2.30, 6.30. match, Notting Hill Gale, W11: 9, 11, 230, 630.

RECENT SQUARE PRESENTERIAN UNC. Tavisjock Place, WCI: 11, Rev K Swaine; 6.30, Pilgrims Praise, SALVATION ARMY Respent Hall).

Oktord St WI: 11, 6.30, 3 Mussical Programme, Major & Mrs C Hunt.

ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran, Gresham S, EC2: 11 HC, Rev R T Englund; 7 Bach V. Concerto in B minor (Vivaid), Rev H M Zorn.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 91-100 (1), Major Concerto in Boulder of the Sorvice, Nev Britanties of the Sorvice, Never House Control Lab.

WESTIMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Mcthodist), SWI: 11 Rev Dr R J Tugor: 6.30 Westey Celebrations, Vice President of Mcthodist Conference, WESTIMINSTER CHAPEL, Buckingham Galt-SWI: 11, 6.30 Rev Dr R T Kondon.

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Dunedin, New Zealand, and Janet Knox. youngest daughter of Daphne and Jim (A.L.) Mason, of Chiswick, London.

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BRYDEN - On May 17th, to Sika and Charles, a daughter, katle,
GAREY - On May 17th, to Sika and Charles, a daughter, a stater for Eloise,
GOATS - On Sunday May 13th, 1990 to Sonia (nee Miller) and Richard, their 1st born, a son, Adam Edward, a healthy 9lbs 11th 22s.
COLTMAN - On May 16th, to Margaret and Matthew, a son, James Robert, a brother 16 or William and Edward. Son. James Robert, a brother
for William and Edward,
EYDEN - On May 10th 1990.
Is Maureen thee Byrne) and
Wearrie, a son Daniel Richard,
24th to Sally Davies and
Simon Falconer Hall. - On March
24th to Sally Davies and
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Thomas James Kenvyn.

ELIMITS - On May 5th, to
Lindsay (née Doiby) and ian.
A daughter, Lucy Jane.
BALES - On May 15th, to
Judith (née Kiff) and Robert,
a son. Thomas Edward.
BERRING - On May 15th, to
Lindsay (née Davies) and
Roger, a son. Thomas Peter
le Strange.
BUNT - On April 30th, 1990, to
Alison (née Sale) and Crais, a
son. William James.
BUNT - On April 30th, 1990, to
Ruth (née Quick) and Tom.
Lwin. sons. Oliver Patrick
Bruce and Ralph Hugh
Gibert.
LETTR - On May 10th, to Flona
(née Goodbody) and Charles,
Mass. Friday May 25th, 19 years. He will be sadly
missed by his friends, Funeral Service and Requiem
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LETTH - On May 10th, to Frona
(née Goodbody) and Charles,
a son, William Murray.

MANASSER - On May 16th
1990, to Rush (née Gail) and
Amos, a daughter, Chloe.

RECREGOR - On May 15th, at
Princess Margaret Hospital,
Swindon, to Camilla thée
Goddard) and Charles, a
daughter, Elizabeth May, a
sister for James.

MICHOL. On April 21st, to

Sister for James.

BICHOL - On April 21st, to Marity on the Scottl and Andy, a daughter. Francesca - Ysabel. a brother for Cameron Fraser.

SCUREY - On May 17th. in Sydney, to Anne (nee Lintern) and Jeremy, a daughter. Emily Calherine, a sister for Hana. STRAKER - On April 27th, to Caroline (née Petrie) and Hugo, a daughter, Kinvara Chine

Chloe.
WELLS - On May 11th, to Vicki (née Malitand) and Ben, in Fort Knox, Kentucky, a daughter, Sophie Louise Cameron. With grateful thanks to the staff at Kosair Children's Hospital I.C.U.
YONGE - On May 18th to Saily the Cocke) and Nicholas, a son. Cyprian Alexander, a sister for Charlotte. . DEATHS ARDAGH - On May 18th 1990.

ARDAGH - On May 18th 1990, peacefully. Joyce. Wife of the late F.D. Ardagh (LF.S.), beloved mother and grandmother. Funeral Service at Tumbridge Wells Crematorium on Friday May 25th at 12 noon. Flowers to Paul Bysouth Funeral Services, Crowborough, tel: (0892) 655000.

(US92) 655000.

BARLEY - On May 16th, after a short ilmess. Shella B., late of Woodstock Cose. Oxford, peacefully at Lowood House. Sumilinghill. Widow of Fred Balley R.A.F. and dear sister of Mary Valentine. Funeral Service to be held at Dadhampstead Park Crematorium on Wednesday May 25rd at 12.30 pm. Enquiries to Lines, Bannister & Co., 69 High Street, Ascot, tel: 10990) 20266. BERTRAM - On May 17th

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COLENSO - On May 17th.
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COWAN - On May 15th.
peacefully. Denis Patrick, of
Gosfield. Haistead. Essex.
Headmaster of Hution Park
Preparatory School 19611964. He will be greatly
missed. Requiem Mass at St
Francis of Assist, Halstead, at
10 am on May 30th 1990.
followed by cremation. Donations if desired to his
favorite charity - Save the
Children Fund. R.I.P.

**MAY 19** 

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Then the Lord stretched out his hand, touched my lips and said unto me: "Listen, I am giving you the words you must speak."

GAFFERATA - On May 11th, Renton - On May 18th, Rhoda Exa. widow of the late Bernard Cufferata Much loved Bull of Nicholas and Cherry Funeral on Tuesday May 22nd at Our Lady of Lourdes Church at 2 pm. Haseimerre, Surrey, Any enquiries to Church at 2 pm. Haseimerre, Surrey, Any enquiries to CM. Luff & Partners, tel: (0428) 3524.

BROWN - On May 13th, at St. DAVIDSON - On May 16th Thacket P. on May 17th, In DAVIDSON - On May 16th 1990. peacefully at home. aged nearly 94 years. Alice 'D D'. devoted friend to the Dugdale family since 1910.

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de ABELA-BORG - On May
15th. peacefully in hospital.
Marquis Lewis de Abela-Borg
K.G.C., O.S.C., B.A.,
F.I.E.E., F.I.L., M.LEX.,
highly respected and much
loved father of Lewis,
Elizabeth and Eric and much
loved grandfather of Janice,
Jeremy (Jeri) and Nigel.
Funeral Service to take place
on May 25th at St Pancras
Cemetery at 11.50 and
Flowers to Leverton & Sons
(Funeral Directors), 39 Brent
Street, Hendon Niw 22ED
Defore 10 am), or if
preferred donations to
imperial Cancer Research.

FLETCHER - On May 16th
Theiride Essex.
Thickee F. on May 17th, in
Invertees. Ronald Stanley.
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FREEMAN - On May 16th, suddenly at home in London, the Reverend Gerald D. Longston Freeman, aged 47 years. He will be sadly missed by his friends. Funeral Service and Requiem Mass. Friday May 25th, 12 noon, at St Mary the Virgin, Whealiey, Oxford. Enquiries to Reeves & Pain Funeral Directors, Oxford.

Directors, Oxford.

GARDINER - On May 17th 1990, peacefully and with great dignity at home. Mariabella Honnor tnee Hodgkin, aged 82. Funeral Wednesday May 23rd at 5.30 pm. St Andrew's Church. Fontmell Magna. Flowers to Merefield & Henstridge, Ridgenont. Melbury Abbas. near Shallesbury. Dorset.

MERBERT - On May 16th, Gwyneth May Price (Bits) Herbert, widow of Arthur. loving mother of Roger and Shan of Brynmarials. Ammanford, Resting at the private chapet of Hywel Crifflith and Sons, Betws. until the fumeral on Tuesday May 22nd. Service for Jamily and friends at Swansea Crematorium at 11 am. Family wreaths only, donations in lieu if so desired to Save the Children kindly recived by Hywel Criffliths and Sons Funeral Directors, 57 Betws Road, Ammanford.

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RUGHES - On May 17th, peacefully in hospital at Rugby. Morwenna Margaret (née Booth). Dearly beloved wife of John and loving mother of Jonathan and Philippa, greatly missed. Funeral Service at Rugby United Reformed Chorch. Friday May 25th at 11.15 am, followed by family cremation. No flowers, but donations if desired for Myton Hospice. Walsgrave Cancer Ward Appeal or Rugby and District Cancer Concern; to Towers & Son Funeral Directors. Church Street, Crick. NN6 77P.

Glies and Dominic.

ROBERTS - On May 16th
1990. The Revd. Roger L.
Roberts C.V.O.. of Thorn
Farm Cottage. Chagford.
Devon. aged 78 years.
Former Chaplain of The
Savoy.
Headmaster of Blundell's
School and Editor of Church
Times. Loving and beloved
husband of the late Katte.
father of the late John Jan).
dear grandfather to his sons
John. Martin and David.
Fumeral Service at Chagford
Parish Church on Wednesday May 23rd at 12.30 pm.
Family Bowers only.
Jonations in lieu of Bowers.

PRITCHARD - Sir John. A memorial tribute will be held at 11 am on Thursday May 24th at 5t James' Church. Piccadilly.

IN MEMORIAM – PRIVATE MICHOLSON - William Lothian May 19th, 1972 Remember-ing with love, Nora, David, Carolyn and Flona.

Birth and Death notices may be accepted over the

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ANNOUNCEMENTS EYBEN (nee Byrne). Congratula-tions Maureen and Barry on the birth of Dautel Richard. 10th May 1990. Love Lorraine. Richard and Jon.

NEMG - On May 17th 1990, at Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, Erk: Thomson King J.P... of Milifeld, Strathmigh, deathy loved husbant of Anne Inglis and devoted father of Frances and Eric. Funeral Service in Strathmigh Parish Church on Wednesday May 25rd at 2 pm to which all friends are invited. thereafter to Strathmigh Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to Dundee University

only please. Donations if desired to Dundee University Medical School c/o Bank of Scotland. Auchtermuchty. PASTERS - On May 12th.
Anthony H. (Tony) Film
Production Designer,
suddenly in the South of
France. Much loved by all
who knew him and his wife
Heather and sons Adam.
Glies and Dominic.

ON THIS DAY

When the poet and novelist, George Meredith OM (1828-1909) died he was a revered man of letters, admired by such writers as Thomas Hardy, Henry James and R L Stevenson, and his reputation stood high well into the present century, but the intricacy of much of his prose and its tendency to opacity is said to present obstacles to the appreciation of his work by many modern readers.

George Meredith

It is difficult to realize that George Meredith is dead. He lived for 81 years; for more than half a century his intellectual force had been active in the midst of us; during his later years his published works were few a noble poem or a generous letter contributed to these columns, such as the tribute to Swinburne which was published here above the easily recognizable initials "GM" a few days after his fellow-poet's death. Yet his living presence was always felt among us. The mind travelled often to the house at Box Hill, where the once great walker, great talker, great writer, the poet with the noble head. the keen-eyed, keen-tongued foe of pretence and folly, watched with almost unabated interest the life of which so many different features appealed to him, from cricket to tragic love, from old wine to contemporary politics. It will long be difficult to believe that that great brain is at rest, that there is no George Meredith in the flesh to spur men to endeavour, or to laugh at them for their good. Not only in his written works, however, has he left counsel and example. His public he conquered slowly and with difficulty. He never leaped into fame, but climbed to it, with many a sethack, glone an inhomitable math. Ust in along an inhospitable path. Yet in the end he achieved the position of the greatest man of letters of his age, a position disputed, if at all, by the

poet whose death we mourned a month ago; and he achieved that position by the exercise of the two qualities to which he pinned his high faith for the future of humanity, the intellect and the will. The present is hardly the occasion to discuss anew the much discussed question of the obscurity of his style in prose and With George Meredith passes the last of the Victorian giants, and as

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7.30 Playdays (r) 7.50 The Muppet
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8.15 The 8.15 from Manchester. The children's show plays its part in the

European initiative, One World, an attempt to highlight world environmental issues. In the studio are young singers and dancers from Soweto, who perform exerpts from their play Where is My Sun? 10.50 Film: Beneath the 12 Mile Reef

(1953) starring Robert Wagner and Terry Moore. Fast-moving undersea adventure, one of the first to use CinemaScope, about competing sponge divers off the Florida coast. Directed by Robert D. Webb 12.25

12.30 Grandstand introduced for the first time by a woman - Helen Rollason. The line-up is (subject to alteration):
12.35 Football: a look at the teams in Group E of the World Cup: 1.00 News; 1.05, 2.05, 2.35, 3.05, 3.35 and 4.00 Tennis: semi-final action in the Women's German International Championships from Berlin: 1.55. 2.25, 2.55 and 3.25 Racing from Newbury; 3.45 Racing from the Curragh: the Airhe/Coolmore Irish 2,000 Guineas: 4.45 Final Score

5.05 News with Morra Stuart. Weather 5.15 Regional News and Sport 5.20 Stay Tooned! Tony Robinson pays tribute to the cartoons made by Chuck

**BBC 2** 

Sketching 7.15 The Origins of State Social Work 7.40 The National Grid 8.05 Maths: Confidence 8.30 Moving

Muscles 8.55 Whose Land is it Anyway? 9.20 Physics: Lightning Does Strike Twicel 9.45 Qualified To Work 10.10 The Oil Game 10.35 Education: Learning Maths Together 11.00

Managing Schools: A Crisis 11.25
Middlemarch by George Eliot 11.50
Business to Business 12.15 How Low
Can You Go? 12.40 Living Choices:
Changing Places 1.05 Wheels of

Progress 1.30 Modern Art: Cubism 1.55 Introductory Electronics: Feedback

episode of the 91-part dramatization of

Princesses in order that the royal house

2.20 The Plough and the Hoe: A

India's great epic poem, Bishma

agrees to marry the two widowed

refuses to break his vow, so Vyaasa

of Bharat may continue. Staming Mukesh Khanna and Rajesh Vivek. In

of two films starring Paulette Goddard,

English girl convict who is deported to

the war for independence. After several

who died last month. She plays an

the American colonies just before

showers of arrows, heroic deeds,

lears and the capture of an Indian

collaborator, she meets, falls in love

contemporary critic put it: "this film

Cooper's vinlity, Paulette Goddard's

femininity, and the American frontier spirit". Directed by Cecil B. DeMille

Goddard's best vehicles, taking her

career in a fruitful new direction as a

with and marries Gary Cooper. As one

is a five million dollar celebration of Gary

Village in the Bihar 2.50 Manabharat. In this, the sixth

Hindi with English subtitle

3.30 Film: Unconquered (1947). The first

6.50 Open University: Maths - Curve

Jones, including Bugs Bunny and Roadrunner 5.45 The Flying Doctors, in this week's episode of the variable Australian medical drama Geoff decides to be

cruel to be kind towards a young stroke victim who refuses to help herself (Ceefax) Wales: Youth Session 6.30 Opportunity Knocks. Les Dawson introduces another line-up of young talent all hoping to make the big time (and knowing that few of them will). This week sees two singers, a five strong dancing group, a comedian, a magician



Into a man's world: Helen Rollason (12.30pm) 7.20 Three Up, Two Down. Fitfully entertaining sitcom starring Michael Elphick and Angela Thome as incompatible in-laws forced to share a flat (r). (Ceefax)

vivacious comedienne after she had

been known mainly as the gamme of Chaplin's Modern Times and one of the actresses who lost the part of

Scarlett O'Hara to Vivien Leigh. The tearning of Goddard with Bob Hope,

worked so well that it was repeated

worked so well that it was repeated the following year in a similar film, The Ghost Breakers. The key to their success was the infusion of their light

nervous gags tailored to his character of a radio cornedian, into a horror film

Nugent it is the much perodice Old Dark House plot, with Goddard as an

isolation, has maintained the purest tradition of classical ballet. The company

made by Spike Ambrose, whose spikey

blonde hair provides her nickname, and Clinton Smith from Trinidad. They

story of despair. Both have chosen to stay away from their parents, rather

homes, and they are using the hostel as a base from to find their own flats.

Clinton is studying for A levels at a sixth

photographer. Their "diary" is an unaffected and often humorous study of

form college and hopes to go on to university, while Spike is an aspiring

begins a tour of the UK next month.

heiress who must survive in a spooky

mansion until dawn to claim her

7.05 Newsview. Moira Stuart with today's

news and sport: Lynette Lithgow reviews the week's news in pictures wit subtitles. Weather 7.50 The Leningrad Legend. The story of the Kirov Ballet which, due to its

Natalia Makarova narrates (r)

9.00 Video Diaries: Spike and Clinton.

Tonight's amateur video was

are among 18 young people who

have found refuge in a hostel for homeless teenagers in the King's Cross area of London. But this is no

than being the victims of broken

inheritance (Ceefax)

comedy, in Hope's case a string a

with several memorably chilling moments. Briskly directed by Elliott

both of them taking their first star parts,

7.50 Film: Perry Mason — The Case of the Sinister Spirit (1986) starring Raymond Burr, Barbara Hale and William Katt. This week the obese attorney is called in to defend a publisher accused of killing one of his authors. The man was found dead after inviting an odd assortment of guests to a supposed haunted house for a weekend. Directed by Richard Land. (Ceefax) 9.25 News with Michael Buerk, sport and

wealher 9.45 Casualty. Among the cleverly spliced plot lines in tonight's helping of the realistic hospital drama are a charity ball held to raise money for the children's ward andan uncomplaining elderly patient waiting in the comdor while the staff try to find her a bed (r). (Ceefax)

10.35 Paramount City. The craggy Arthur Smith is the host, Paramount City

Theatre is the venue and Steve Coogan, Fred Stroller and Emo Philips are the acts in this stand-up comedian show

11.15 Film: Silver Bears (1977) Michael Came and Cybill Shepherd star in a lightweight tale of financial intrigue. A Las Vegas Mafia man has the task of laundering ill-gotten gains but discovers that his contact has squandered the money in a dubious business deal. At least that is the gist of it, but clear plotting is not the film's strong point. Directed by Ivan Passer. 1.05-1.10am Weather. Ends at 1.10 am

Life as a teenager: Clinton Smith (9.00pm)

to pay for honesty and freshness. (Ceelax)

goes behind the scenes at Glasgow's international festival, the Mayfest, to

serve up a healthy feast of music, theatre, comedy and caberet. Stuart

Cosgrove looks at the work of Gorbals

Front (1979) starring Richard Thomas, Emest Borgnine, Donald Pleasence and Patricia Neal. A poor remake of the

1930 original, which tries to introduce a Vietnam-type image to the First World War trenches. The story

is based on the growing dissillusionme of a young German soldier on the

demonstrate the fullity of war, this version ends up demonstrating the futility of war film remakes. Directed by Delbert Mann. Ends at 1.00am

em Front. Originally designed to

9.45 Saturday Night Clyde. Clare English

pholographer Joseph Mackenzie. 10.25 Film; All Quiet on the Western

centring on such common

their lives and those of their friends.

experiences as drugs, gigs and music. If the narrative is rough-edged, not always coherent, then that is a fair price

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9.25 Ghost Train. The guests include Rene Zagger from Grange Hill, Hothouse Flowers and the Pasadenas. There is also a 50th birthday tribute to Bugs Bunny and the Chimes's latest video

11.30 The ITV Chart Show. The Vintage Video slot is filled by Bill Joel 12.30 Huckleberry Finn and His Friends. More escapades involving Mark Twain's

young hero and his chums 1.00 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather 1,05 LWT News and weather 1.10 Coronation Street (r) 2.05 Film: Ellis Island (1984). A made-for-

television epic, originally a seven-hour mini series. The weary saga of a group of immigrants who arrive in New York City in 1907, coming ashore at Ellis Island. The ill-assorted group includes an embittered Russian Jew a poor Italian farmer and two young sisters from Ireland - one of whom is going blind. The star-studded but equally ill-assorted cast includes Faye Dunaway, Stubby Kaye, Claire Bloom and Richard Burton. Directed by Jerry London

ws and weather 5.05 LWT News and weather 5.15 The Incredible Hulk. Children's adventure serial starring Bill Borby and Lou Ferrigno star as the nice guy

and his monster after ego this evening coming to the aid of a runaway

schoolgirl whose high IO does not compensate for the lack of a mother's love (r) 6.10 Cannon and Ball's Casino. The

start of a new senes featuring comedy, music and big prizes, presented by the diminutive duo. With a welcome helping hand are Big Country, Paul Squire and Roxette

6.55 Wayne Dobson - A Kind of Magic. Wayne Dobson and Linda Lusardi discover the secret of Pandora's Box on location in Greece, and Ringo Rabbit attempts a little mind reading

7.25 The Two of Us. Pleasant domestic comedy series starring Nicholas Lyndhurst and Janet Dibley. This week they have their palms read and become unnerved when minor predictions come true. (Oracle)

7.55 Murder, She Wrote: Appointment in Athens. Angela Lansbury is Jessica. Fletcher, the crime writer turned reallife sleuth who embarks on another case which defies detection. A chance encounter in Paris with a British agent results in her following a trail of espionage to Athens. With Richard Todd and lan Ogrlvy. (Oracle) 8.50 News with Nicholas Owen, sport and

weather 9.05 LWT Weather 9.10 Taggart - The Movie. A feature length episode starring Mark McManus as the dour Glasgow detective investigating a series of deaths by poison the victims of which have the common link of Wonderland Products. With James Macpherson and lain Anders (r). (Oracle)

11.40 International Footbell - Scotland v Poland. Etton Welsby introduces themendly warm-up match which will, it is hoped, help Scotland to prepare for the start of the World Cup and recover from Wednesday's defeat at the hands of unregarded Egypt. The commentator is Brian Moore

12.40am Film: Cattle Annie and Little Britches (1979) staming Burt Lancaster, Amanda Plummer and Diane Lane. In 1893 the ruthless Doolin-Dalton gang is leaving a trail of robbery and corruption behind them. Then two innocent Eastern girls join the gang and inspire them to more crimes. Despite an excellent cast, this enjoyable Western sunk without trace, probably because the genre was out of vogue at the time. Directed by Lamont Johnson

2.25 Film: A Death of Innocence (1971) starring Shelley Winters, Tisha Sterling and Arthur Kennedy. The simple, orderly life of a small-town housewife is rocked when her only daughter is accused of murder. Despite the shock she railies to her daughter's defence, only to suffer from growing doubts surrounding the girl's innocence. Interesting, but scarcely original. Directed by Paul Wendkos

3.45 Racing Yachts 4.05 The Hit Man and Her. The coolest sounds from the hottest discos with Pete Waterman and Michaela

5.05 ITN Morning News with Gillian Carter. Ends at 6.00

#### CHANNEL 4

6.00 Comic Book 7.00 Kaboodle 7.30 International News 8.00 Transworld Sport 9.00 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning

9.25 Australian Rules Football. The first

of a new series

10.30 Listening Eye: Working Lives. This
programme for people who are hard of hearing looks at job opportunities around the country (r), (Oracle) 11.00 Check Out. A repeat of last week's programme on consumer affairs.

11.30 Wagon Train (b/w)
12.30 California Officeat. This new series takes a close look at America's so-called Golden State. It is said that California is not so much a state but a state of mind. Reporter Wayne Freedman explores the various types of noise that Californians include in: from the noise of traffic to Can Park, where Californians go to let off

2.55 Film: Young Bess (1963) starring Charles Laughton, Deborah Kerr and Stewart Granger. The young life of Elizabeth I and her relationship with Tom Seymour is examined in this historic drama, which pays only lip service to historical fact. The strong cast makes the most of a rather droll script

Directed by George Sidney. 3.05 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket and the Curragh. The 3.10, 3.40, 4.10 and 4.40 from Newmarket and the 3.55 (Airlie/Coolmore Irish 2,000 Guineas) from the Curragh 5.05 Brookside Omnibus (r). (Oracle)

6.00 Right To Reply 6.30 Gallery. George Melly hosts the popular quiz which allows celebrities to show off their artistic knowledge. This week it is the turn of painters Harry Holland and Fred Ingrams and the actress Shirley Ann Field

7.00 The World This Week includes an interview with the Romanian Prime Minister Petre Roman 8.00 Kingdom of the Deep: Humpback Whales, the Gentle Giants.

Tonight's offenng from the archives of Anglia's Survival senes

features the humpback whales, filmed in the clear blue waters off Hawaii and in their feeding grounds in Glacier Bay, Alaska. They are intelligent creatures, possessing a brain five times as large as yours or mine, and they produce a curious sound that sounds as if they they are singing. Divers manage to get within a few feet of the whales to record these "songs", which are intriguingly analysed. As always with wildlife documentaries, this one is a visual treat. Among much speciacular footage is that taken in Glacier Bay as the whales are disturbed by tourist ships.

The whales respond in flamboyant style, leaping clear of the water and smacking the surface of the water with their flippers and tails 9.00 thirtysomething. American comedy drama series 10.00 Film: Mahler (1974) starring Robert

Powell, Georgina Hale and Richard Morant. Biopic on the composer Gustav Mahler, which makes elaborate use of fantasia-type imagery to retrace the life of the Jewish composer from a perspective which is very personal to the director, Ken Russell. One of Russell's more measured and effective films. The music, needless to say, is terrific

12.10am Angels and Devils Even if he gives quite a lot of them Ken Russell is always good for an interview, since the most innocuous questions are likely to provoke completely unexpected replies. His questioner Simon Groom seems to be on firm ground when he echoes the widely held view that Russell's best film is Women in Love. Poor Simon.

Russell retorts that it is one of his worst. a Readers' Digest version of Lawrence's novel. When Groom wonders what qualities Russell looks for in an actress, back comes the answer: "someone who is not too expensive". But here of course he is only kidding and he does offer perceptive analyses of two actresses he particularly admires, Glenda Jackson and Kathleen Turner. Trying to cover 17 films (not to mention the television documentaries) in half an hour is an impossible task and much has to be



Russell's Mahler: Robert Powell (10.00pm)

left out. It is still strange there is no mention of *Mahler*, which is not only interesting in itself but is being

shown immediately before this interview
12.45 On the Other Hand: The magazine show, aimed primarily at Britain's Asian community, tackles the controversial subject of the growth of Islamic Fundamentalism within the Asian community
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Number Six (1962, b/w). More B picture capers as agent number six is assigned to follow the crook Charles Valentine, who is too smart to fall for that sort of thing. Directed by Robert Tronson. Ends at 2.50

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news, with Bill Walks, David

6.00 News; Sports Round-up 6.25 Citizens: Omnibus edition (s) 7.10 Ad Lib. Robert Robinson

pubs and clubs around the

country
7.45 Saturday Night Theatre: South by South East by Adam
Peterson. Interplay between two former schoolfriends, one

successful, the other not. Stars Derek Howard and

Christopher Quinn (s) 9.00 Music in Mind: Brian Kay with

a selection of melodies (s)
9.50 Ten to Ten. A reading, hymn
and a reflection, led by Canon
John Oates (s)

Tate, John Ba

Grace
5.50 Shipping Forecast

#### ITY VARIATIONS

5.50 Film: The Cat and the Canary

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NETWORK 2 Starts: 12.30pm News 12.34 Sports Station 5.05 The Man in the Iron Mask 6.00 Pertect Strangers 6.30 Sul Thart 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 Repdo 7.40 News followed by European Lotto 9.20 World Music Awards 10.50 Fam: Garto Talks 12.45am Close RADIO 1

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**WORLD SERVICE** 

5.00am World News 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours 5.30 Londres Matin 5.59 Weather 6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Mendian 7.00 World News News 1634 6.30 Mendian 7.00 World News 7.09 Twenty-lour Hours 7.30 From the Weekles 8.00 World News 8.09 Words of Faith 8.15 A Joby Good Stow 9.00 World News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.39 Sports Roundup 9.45 World Innet 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Here's Humph 10.15 Letter from America 10.30 Mich Magazine 10.59 Travel News 11.00 World News 11.09 News shout British 11.15 Cub 648 11.30 Letter from America 10:30 Mod Magazine 10:59 Travel News 11:09 World News 11:09 News about Britain 11:15 Cub 648 11:30 Mendian 12:00 Newsteel 12:15pm Multitirack 3 12:45 Sports Roundup 1:00 World News 1:09 Twenty-four Fours 1:45 Sportsworld 2:00 News Summary 2:01 Sportsworld 2:00 News Summary 2:01 Sportsworld 2:00 News Summary 2:01 Sportsworld (cont) 3:00 Newsteel 2:45 World News 2:55 Sportsworld contid 3:15 BBC Engish 3:30 Nachrechten 3:40 German Features 3:59 Travel News 4:00 World News 4:09 News about Britain 4:15 BBC Engish 4:30 Londres Sor 5:14 News Headines in Engish 5:15 Tire Dancing Foldles 5:30 Heate Altuell 6:00 German Features 6:54 Nachmohien 7:00 News Summary 7:01 Dpera of the Week 7:45 From the Weekles 8:00 World News 8:09 From Our Own Correspondent 8:25 Words of Fash 8:30 Mendian 9:00 News Summary 9:01 Sports Roundup 9:15 The Dancing Fiddles 9:30 Playing God 10:00 Newshour 11:00 World News 11:05 Words of Fash 11:10 Book Choice 11:15 A Jolly Good Show 12:00 NewsSes 12:30am The Ken Bruce Show 13:00 News Summary :Pay of the Week 2:00 News 1,00 News Summary: Play of the Week 2,00 Vorld News 2,09 Review of the British Press 2,15 Newsreet 2,30 Talang Issue 2,59 Weather 3,00 World News 3,09 News about Britain 3,15 From Our Own Correspondent 3,30 Personal View 3,45 Nectinchiten und Presseschau 4.00 German Features 4.35 News in German 4.45 Headlines in English and French 4.47 Press Review 4.52 Financial Branew 4.56 Westley and Talling 1.50

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6.35-6.55 FM only. Open A Model of Despot 6 55 Weather and News headlines Overture: Orpheus in nonia/Naville Marriner Aguado *Agadio Op 2 No 1,* Julian Bream. Handel

Concerto grosso in B flat, Op 3 No 1, Academy of St Martin/Neville Mamner 7.30 News Walton: Comedy overture: Scapino, LSO/André Previn, Liszt Mazeppa, Jorge Bolet (piano). Schubert Ballet Music No. 1 in B minor (Rosamunde), Leipzig Gewandhaus/Masur, Handel Sonata, Cip 1 No 1a, Michala

Sorials, Cp 1 No 1a, michala Petri (recorder), George Malcolm (harpsichord). Johann Strauss (son) Tales from the Vienna Woods, Vienna PO/With Boskovsky 8.35 Ulster Orchestra, conductor Sinon Joly, Richard Howarth (violin). Amold Four kish Dances, Op 126 (first broadcast). Vaughan Williams Concerto accademico.

Matcolm Arnold Symphony No 9.30 Saturday Review with Richard Osborne, Record Review, new releases; chamber music releases; chamber musik (Richard Wigmore), Monteverdi and Gabriek (Stephen Petitit); 20th-century discs (Paul Griffiths). Record Release: Mozart String Ouartet in D (K499). Alban Berg Quartet. John Adams The Wound Dresser, Sanford Sylvan (bar), Orchestra of St Luke's/The Composer, Verese Ameriques, New York PO/Boulez, Schubert Octet *(D803)*, Academy of Ancieni Music Chamber Ensemble

1.00pm News 1.05 Words: tour reflections on 1.10 wards: rour renections on language by philosopher Ted Honderich. 1: Cause 1.10 Grimethorpe Colliery Band.conductor Elgar Howarth: Ernest Tomknson Cornet Concerto.
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Pictures et an Exhibition
2.10 Brigitte Fassbaender (mez soprano), Helmut Deutsch (piano). Schubert rasmus Liebe; Der König in Thule; Schinnade; / ano). Schubert Rastiose Flusse (D766); Holfnung (D295); Der Musensohn; Taubenpost; Sehnsucht (19879): Der Wandarer an den Mond; Wiegenlied (1967); Bei dir allein! Brahms An die Nachtgall; Da unten im Tale; Mädchenlied, Op 107 No 5; Es

hing der Reit; Herbstgefühl Auf dem Kirchhole Four Senous Songs 3.25 Amsterdam Baroque, director Ton Koopman: Mozart Divertimento in D (K136); Andante in C (solo flute: Wilbert Hazelzet), Symphony No 27. Haydn Symphony No

4.30 Debut: Cann Twins (pianos). Timothy Blinco Gemini, Ravel Repsodie espagnole, Shostakovich Concertino 5.00 Jazz Record Requests with Peter Clayton 5.45 Critics' Forum. Richard Mayne

(in the chair) talks with Owen Dudley Edwards, Ronald Hayman and Sarah Kent on: Cecil Jenkins's radio play Citizen Sade (R3), The Pursuit of the Real (Barbican Art Gallery), Patrice Leconte's film Monsieur Hire, in the Ruins, by Nick Dear (Royal Court), Selected Letters of Brecht, edited by John Willett 6.35 Clarinet and Piano. Colin Lawson, Erik Levi. Koechlin Clarnet Sonata No 2, Op 86. Wiltred Josephs Pano Piece,

Oo 114 7.00 From the House of the Dead Opera in three acts, by Janaček, to a text based on Dostoyevsky, live from the Theatre Royal de la Monnaie, Brussels (sung in Czech). Filka Morosov, known as Luka Kuzmich, Kurt Schreibmayer (tenor); lati convict, Thomas Dewald (tenor); short convict Bodo Schwanbeck (bass): Bodo Schwanbex (bass); camp commandant, Malcolm King (bass); Geryanchikov, Dale Duesing (barrtone); old convict, Raccardo Cassinelli (tennor); Skuratov, Ronald Hamilton (tenor); Aleya, Stefanie Rhaue (soprano). Chorus and orchestra of le Chorus and orchestra of la

Chorus and orchestra of la Monnale/Cambreling 9.00 The Talking Out of Tarrington by Saki. Reader Peter Howell 9.05 Lindsay Quartet. Haydn String Quartet in D. Op 76 No 5 Douglas Young Mr Klee Visits the Bolanical Gardens (first perf) Beethoven Quartet in A. On 122

Op 132

10.30 Sludio 3. Sweet Tooth by Mel Calman. George and Alice long to be adulterous lovers, but their trustrating meetings in a feam room are life-threatening to the Rum Baba. With Richard Griffiths, Dennis Lawson and Morag Hood (r)

11.00 Alan Gravili. Brahms Theme and Variations (Sinho Sextel. and Variations (String Sextet, Op 18) erranged for piano; Sonata No 3 in F minor, Op 5 12.00-12.05am News.

RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 The Farming Wealing 6.10
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Prayer for the Day (s) 6.55
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7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News; 7.55,
9.58 Wealther 9.25 Verticals 8.58 Weather 8.35 Yesterday

9.05 Sport on 4 presented by Cliff Morgan 9.30 Breakaway. Holiday and travel

news and views presented by Bernard Falk and Nigel Coombs 10.00 News; Loose Ends; fast moving blend of news, opinions and mickey-laws hosted by Ned Sherrin, and featuring Richard Jobson, Arthur Scotland, Emma Freud

and guests (s)

11.00 News; The Week in
Westminster: a review of
happenings with comment
and interviews, presented by
Robin Oakley, political editor
of The Times

11.30 From Our Own Compensation 1.30 From Our Own Correspondent 12.00 Money Box, with Louise Botterig and Vincent Duggleby 12.25pm The News Quiz hosted by Barry Took and teaturing Akin Coren, Richard Ingrams and

lan Hislop (s) 12.55 Wealher 1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby in Banchory, Scotland, with panellists Helena Kennedy, Ian McIntyre, Sir David Steel MP and Alex

2.00 News, Any Answers? Jonathan Dimbleby takes viewers' calls on issues raised in Any Questions? (071-580 4411) 2.30 Time of Their Lives. Solstice, a biographical play by Jo Anderson, sel in London of 1873, and based on the life of Vincent van Gooft (1)

4.00 The Living World. David Streeter and Derek Jones seek evidence of the glanville Intillary on the island of Sark 4.30 Science Now. Alun Lewis on nano-technology, the tascinating science of

miniscule engineering that could become big business 5.00 Conversation Piece. Sue MacGregor talks to Sir Roger Bannister Master of Pembroke College, Oxford, about his life and work (r) 5.25 Week Ending. Often biling,

9.39 Yearner
10.00 News
10.15 Open Mind. A discussion
about discipline in Britain's
schoots. Are liberal polices
breeding an anti-social generation, or are schoolchildren simply much as they were? 10.45 Ottoman Adventure. The

Journey Homeward, Novelist Joseph Hone's story of his recent travels in Turkey. He discovers a Georgian shangri-la high in the mountains and goes in search of the Towers of Trebizond 11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes with three young

Scandinavian musicians Dan Laurm, Ashildur Haraldsdottir and Jan-Erik Gustafsson (s)
11.30 At Home With the Hardys: Surprise, Surprise, More hilanous comedy with Kit Hollerbach, Jeremy Hardy notierbach, Jeremy Hardy, Paul B. Davies and Caroline Leddy. This week, some omewhere is having an affair and Paul's doing the

catering (s) 12.00 News. incl 12.20 Weather 12.33am Shipping Forecast

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1.55pm-2.00 Programme News
4.30-6.00 Options 4.30 Education
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Get Writing, with George Evans,
Michelle Magonan and Chis Powling
5.30 Speak For Yourself. Looking
Good, John Campbell's guide to
wither sneaking public speaking

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#### SATELLITE

SKY ONE 6.00am Barrer Rest 6.30 The Flying Kiwi 7.00 Fun Factory 11.00 The Bionic Woman 12.00 Frank Bough's World 1.00pm Black Sheep Squadron 2.00 Wresting Challenge 3.00 The Man from Allantis 4.00 Chopper Squad 5.00 The Love Boat 6.00 Film. The enant Wore Skirts A women joins the WAF to be with her husband in the Air Force only to find he's been rejected and she's now signed up for life. Staming Tom Ewell and Sharee North 8.00 Film Maybe I'll Come Home in the Spring An emotionally con-fused teerager runs away from home to join a hoppy commune. Starring Jackie Cooper and David Carradine 9,30 The Hitchiker 10.00 Superstars of Wrestling 11.00 Sky World News Torught 11.30 The Uniouch-ables Detective series chromoling the adventures of Eliot Ness and his

SKY NEWS views on the hour 5.30am Motor Sports News 6.30 Newskre 7.30 Beyond 2000 8.30 Frank Bough This Week 9.30 Roving Report 10.30 Motor Sports News 11.30 Beyond 2000 12.30pm Fashion TV 1.30 Rowing Report 2.30 Motor Sports News 3.30 Our World 4.30 Beyond 2000 5.30 Entertainment This Week 6.30 Fashion TV 7.30 Rowing Report 9.30 Our World 10.30 Entertainment this Week 11.30 Fashion TV 12.30am The Best of Target 1.30 Motor Sports News 2.30 Entertainment This Week 3.30 Those Were the Days 4.30 Resport 2000 Beyond 2000 SKY MOVIES

From 8.00am The Shopping Channel 2.00pm Inhumanoids Animated science 4.00 Carry On Camping (1972). Starring Sid-James. Kenneth Williams Barbara Windsor and Charles Hawtrey

6.00 Campus Man (1987) An enterprising Student complées an all-male pin-un cab dar, which quickly becomes a nation Caze-Staming John Dye, Steve Lyon and Kathleen Wilhouse.
7.40 Entertainment Tonight 8.00 Something is Out There (1988). Concluding episode of the science liction timiter. Starring Maryam D'Abo and Joe Cortese.

10.00 Throw Morning from the Train

(1987) Two aspong waters, both launled by women decide to swap marders. Slaring Danny DeVile and Biby Crystal 11.30 They're Playing with Fire (1994): An

9.40 UK Top 10

English teacher tures one of her young students into a plot to murder her mother in law for an inheritance. Staring Enc Brown 1.15 frommend (1957):
Two vegrants are haunted by their past as they struggle to survive on the mean streets in a world where the odds are continually stacked against them. One makes a final altempt to drag through out of the gutter. Starring Meryl Streep and Jack Nicholson 4.00 Heart (1987) A down-and-out boxer plans a big comeback, Starring Brad Davis.

EUROSPORT

6,00 As Sky One 9.00 BMX. Stunt and crosscounty cycing action 9:30 Baskelball 11:00 Australian Rules Football 12:00 That Kick Boxing 12:30 Terms The Lufthense cup in Sports 3:30 Trans World Sport 4:30 Motor Sport. The third round of the German Formula Three Meter Basses Motor Sport. The and round of the Celebrat Formula Three Motor Racing Champion-ship5.00 Drag Racing 6.00 Hockey 7.00 Boung 9.00 Basketbalt The National Bas-ketball Association playeths, from the United States 10.30 Tennie The Lutitiansa Cup in Bertin

12.30pm to Hockey 2.30 Wide World of Sport: Indy Time Trais 3.30 Horse Racing: Live coverage of the Insh Two Thousand Guneza 4.00 Motor Sport Indy Time Trais 5.00 Cycling Tour de Trump 6.00 Wide World of Sport The Printo Special Horse Race 6.30 Powersports International 7.30 Lea Hockey 10.00 Horse Racing 11.00 US Professional Boung 12.30am TV Sport 1.00 Window Horse Show 3.00 Major League Baseball 5.00 Wide World of Sport 6.00 Motor Sport

Twenty four hours of rock and pop

LIFESTYLE

BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL SCREENSPORT 7.00am Athletics 8.30 Argentinan Football 10.00 Torms 11.30 Windsor Horse Show. The Albertrate Gentleman's Jumping

12.00 Reder Men from Mors
12.30pm Ensign O'Toole 1.00 Zorro's
Fighlang Legion 1.30 One Step Beyond 2.00
Champonship Rodoc 2.45 Video Review
Show 3.00 Wresting 4.00 Edge of Night
5.00 The Self-a-Vision Shopping Channol

• All Films are followed by News and

and Will Geer star in the story of the Messiah rotuming as a black man 2.20 The Jazz Singer (1953) Slaming Poggy Lee
4.00 A Fine Mess (1986) Farcical fale of two men who get mixed up with racetrack gemblers. Stamp Tod Danson and Howe Mandel Margorian (1967). A wealthy liberal couple have their principles put to the lest when their

daughter part to the last which the daughter amountees she is going to many a distinguished black doctor. Staming Spen-cer fracosy and Kathanne Hepburn 8,00 Grace Outgley (1994) An old woman hires a professional to bump her off Staming Kalharne Heptum and Nrck Note 10.00 Fatal Beauty (1997): An undercover cop goes after a consignment of possined cop goes are a consignment of presented occarne. Starring Whoops Goldberg 11.50 Burgior (1987) A call burgior finds herself framed for a munder she witnessed. The only way she can get herself off the hook is to find the luker hurself. Starring

Wheep Goldberg
1.35em Tough Guys Don't Dance (1987).
When a severed hand turns up in his drugs stash, an amnestac writer lears he may have committed murder Starming Ryan O'Neal and habeta Ressulini Ends 3.20

Galavy Club Show 12:00 Jupiter Moon 1:30pm Doctor Who 2:00 Cool Cube 5:00 Grange HM 5:30 Kds Court 6:00 The Goodes 6:30 Till Dealh Do Us Part 7:00 Maude 7:30 Intellect 8:00 Nightingates 9:00 Hill Street Blues 10:00 Jools Holland's Happening 11:30 Naired City 12:00am The Repeatable Up Yer News 1:00 TV Morrie: Danger in Paradise

THE SPORTS CHANNEL

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NOW

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THE POWER STATION Weather 2.00pm Brother John (1972): Sidney Poiter 7.00em Superfriends 7.30 Re-mix 9.00 The 7.00em Eighteen hours of rock and pop

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#### COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND MARIT HARGIE **CRITIC'S CHOICE PETER WAYMARK**

#### BBC 1

- 6.45 Open University 8.55 Playdays (r) 9.15 Making Sense . . . of Suffering (r) 9.30 This is the Day. A simple religious service from Sketlig Michael, a rocky outcrop off the south-west coast of
- 10.00 Bazaar (r) 10.25 Take Nobody's Word for it. Science magazine (r) 10.50 Business Matters: Picking Up the Pieces: How owners of failed small businesses can set about recovering from the experience of losing job, money and maybe even home in one go (r) 11.15 Women Mean Business (r).
  (Cestax) 11.40 Step Up to Wordpower.
  Reading and writing help for adults.
  (Cestax). Wales: The Flying Doctors
- 12.05 Sign Extra. An edition of OED, The House That Bob Built, adapted for the hearing impaired 12.30 Country File. As part of One World week, Country File has mounted a special exhibition of environmental photographs. Followed by Weather. Wales: 12.25 Farming in Wales 1.09 News with Chris Low. Followed by On the Record Low.
- On the Record. Jonathan Dimbleby examines Labour's alternative to the Poli Tax. Emily Buchanan looks at who would win and who would be the losers under the proposed roof tax 2.00 EastEnders. Omnibus edition (r).
- 3.00 Film: A Distant Trumpet (1964). Troy Donahue romances the women and fights the indians down Mexico way. Stock western stuff, and a tame and to the distinguished career of its veteran director, Rapul Walsh, With at early days at school for youngsters in yery different circumstances.
- 5.40 The World in Our Hands. The Earth is one but the world is not, said the

- Bruntland report on the environment and development. But where do you start to look at the joins? Michael Buerk decided to talk to astronauts, whose angel's-eye view gives them the chance to see the whole picture, but who notice pollution even up there. Strong stuff, due to the sed fect that much of the world is still desperately complecent. (Ceetax) 5.25 News with Chris Lowe, Weather
- 6.40 Praise Bel with Pope John Paul It's special One World message, and Group aptain Leonard Cheshire talking to
- 7.15 All Creatures Great and Small.
  Delightful series based on the James
  Herriot novels about a veterinary
  practice in rural Yorkshire (r). (Ceefax)
  8.05 Film: The March (1990)
  - Having treated us to strong dramas about Aids, C. S. Lewis and the invention of DNA, William Nicholson turns his attention to the starving millions of Africa. He imagines that in the near future a charismatic African Gandhi emerges in the Sudan and leads his people in a great march to Europe to shame the First World intoaction. Nicholson calls The Merch a "what if" film, a plausible scenario designed as a thought-provoking introduction to the week of BBC programmes under the One World benner. The latter-day Gandhi (played by Malack Bowens from the Peter Brook repertory company) is ranged against a sympathetic but pragmatic European Community commissioner (Juliet Stevenson). She finds herself as a reluctant pig in the middle as her EC colleagues line up against her. Although Nicholson tnes to give the piece an individual dimension, supplying Stevensonwith a neglected husband and senile mother,



· A Az and a service of the comment

- Gandhi of Africa: Malick Bowens (8.05pm) 9.40 That's Life! Consumer affairs
- 10.25 News with Martyn Lewis 10.40 Everyman: Will the March Go On? This week's edition provides a necessary coda to the night by addressing the issues reised in the screening of The March earlier this evening. Could northern Africa be uninhabitable in 40 years time? And if so, will Europe open its borders, as if grudgingly does on a much smaller
- gruogingly does on a much smales scale at present? Northern Ireland: Football (Cavan v Donegal)

  11.20 Women Mean Business. The fifth in this series sees Glenda Jackson looking into attitudes towards women at work, and at how little is being done to orient the workplace to their needs. (Ceefax). Wales: 11.15 Welsh Labour Party Conference. Nothern Ireland
- 11.30 Everyman 11.45 Mahabharat. Episode six of the 91pert Indian epic poem (r): Wales: Women Mean Business 12.10am Mahabharat debate in which all the points of view are
  - 12.25am Weather, Wales 12.50; Northern Ireland 12.10am

#### systematically argued of the past catching up with a married

- Mass with his wife and two small to find her missing husband. There follows an unsettling night drive
  - unravelling of the woman's real motives. The piece operates partly as a thriller, partly as a psychological study, and makes brilliant use of the bleak city landscape, with its drab apartment blocks, chillingly anonymous hospital and detax centre for drunks. The central performances by Daniel Otbrychski and Maria Pakulnis are perfectly judged.
  - 10.00 Moviedrome. Alex Cox is on hand to improve our understanding and enjoyment of another cult film, which night is Get Carter (1971). Michael Caine plays a London racketeer who travels to Newcastle to find out more about his brother's death. What he does discover is a sordid conspiracy. enough to drive a man to revenge.
    The supporting cast includes Britt Ekland, lan Hendry and John

### ITY LONDON 6.00 TV-am 8.00 Anne Diamond on Sunday. The

- guests include Judge Pickles, Lady Harlech and Alister Spark 9.25 Film: The Wild Country (1970). Part one of a Disney adventure about a family trying to make a living familing in 1880s Wyoming. Directed by Robert
- 10.15 The Campbells, Canadian adventures of a pioneering Scottish
- family 10.45 Link investigates the lack of facilities in Scotland for the rehabilitation of head injury sufferers 11.00 Morning Worship from the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Clifton,
- Nottingham 12.00 Visions, Topical religious magazine 12.30 My Pet Monster, Animated adventures 12.40 Police 5 12.55 LWT
- News and weather 1.00 News with Sue Carpenter, Weather 1.10 Eyewitness includes an interview with President Mengitsu of Ethiopia
   2.00 McCloud. The second of a two-part story in which the detective investigates
- a Middle East prostitution ring. Starring Dennis Weaver
  3.00 Film: Follow Me, Boys! (1966)
  starring Fred MacMurray, Vera Miles and
  Liken Gish. Sentimental to the point of nausea tale of a musician who hangs up his sexophone and becomes a small town scout leader - all for the love of a lady. Directed by Norman Tokar
- 5.25 Cartoon Time 5.30 Bullseye. 6.00 Brave New Wilderness. Series on how old industrial land has been reclaimed by nature 6.30 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather

#### 6.35 LWT News and weather Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits Lyme Regis in Dorset 7.15 People Do the Funniest Things

- presented by the unloved Jeremy Beadle (r) 7.45 Perfect Scoundrels. Patchy comedy
- drame series starring Peter Bowles and Bryan Murray as two conmen in an uneasy alliance 8.45 Jeeves and Wooster. Stephen Fry
- and Hugh Laurie excel in this superb adaptation by Clive Exton of the P. G. Wodehouse stones about an oalish man of leisure and his
- superior gentleman's gentleman. (Oracle) 9.45 News with Sue Carpenter, Weather 10.00 LWT Weather
- 10.00 LWT Weather
  10.05 Spitting Imaga. The latex puppets with more sketchy satire
  10.35 International Heavyweight Boxing from the City Hall, Sheffield, Jim Rosenthal introduces coverage of the fight between Britain's unbeaten former Olympic champion Lennox Lewis and Dan Murphy from Omeha,
- 11.05 Celebration: The Gingerbread Revolution
- A fascinating documentary, operating on several levels of fact and fiction, which explores the role of actors, artists and writers in the 1989 revolution in Czechoslavakia. The starting point is a film being shot in Prague about the Nazi cover-up of an extermination camp in Czechoslovakia during the Second World War. With a cast including the British actors Tom Courtenay and Freddie Jones, it is being made without the approval of the censors. One of the Czech cast, Josef Kemr, sees the

police suppression of a student



Power of mime: Tom Courtenay (11.05pm)

- demonstration in Prague and joins his fellow actors in a nationwide theatre strike which helps to ignite the revolution and topple the government. includes news film of the events of 1989, Courtenay's fine performance as a mime artist and footage from the Nazi
- death camp 12.05am Golf. The Nestle International 1.05am Soap. The sitcom with multiple sits and hilarious com (r) 1.35 Whitbread Round the World Yacht
- Race. The final staces 1.45 The ITV Chart Show (r)
  2.45 Film: The Last Married Couple in America (1980) starring George Segal and Natalie Wood. Silly, smutty sex comedy about a happily married couple who begin to doubt their own wedded bliss when their married friends
- break away from their spouses. Directed by Gilbert Cates 4.30 Pick of the Week. The best from the
- regions
  5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at 6.00

- BBC 2 5 635 Open University: Maths, Shrinking Polygons 7.00 Structuring Decisions 7.25 King Frederick and Voltaire 7.50 Einstein's Theory 8.15 Living Choices: Changing Places 8,40
  Emperor Augustus: Portrait and Image 9.05 Given Enough Rope 9.30
  Pictures of Politics 9.55 Arts: Crime and Punishment 10.20 Biology: Cell Movement 10.45 Maths: Curve Sketching 11.10 Words to That Effect 11.35 Equilibrium Rules OK? 712.00 Wester inster Week. Christopher Jones presents highlights of the week in Westminster. (Ceetax) 12.35
- Around Westminster with Sue MacGrecor 1.00 So You Want To Be a Better Manager. Open University film for managers at all levels 1.25 One in Four. Magazine series about
- disabled matters 1.55 Grandstand introduced by Steve Rider. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 2.00 Tennis: live coverage of the final of the women's German International championship from Berlin. The commentators are Barry Davies and Ann Jones; 3.40 and 5.20 Motorcycling: the ACU Shell Oils British championship from Spetterton. The commentage is Barry Nutley: 4.50 and 6.10 Judo: the European championships from Frankfurt. The commentator is Jim
- 6.35 The Money Programme, Rory Cellan-Jones profiles British Petroleum Britain's biggest oil company, who have recently announced a huge shakeup of their management structure, leading, it is hoped, to improved

ntially this is a dramatized

carefully represented and

- fortunes at the cost of redundancies 7.15 The Natural World: Twilight of the Dreamtime. The Gagudju are an Aboriginal tribe who have been caring for their sacred land in remote Northern Australia for 40,000 years. Their fortunes have changed over the ast 200, since the arrival of Europeans, and their numbers have now dwindled to the point where only a few fully initiated elders remain. This film aims to provide a record of a people vho never had to write anything down, and now may never have the chance to do so, and makes the most of the photographic opportunities in the woodlands and wetlands that are their
- voice (r) 8.05 Yo-Yo Ma: A Month in Tanglewood. The second of two films follows the celebrated Chinese-American cellist through contemporary music week at the Tanglewood summer school and festival as he works with new composers and fellow artists and comes to grips with a new piece written for him by the Austrian
- home. David Attenborough lends his
- taxi-driver as he prepares to calebrate Christmas, Attending Midnight children, he is unexpectedly confronted by a former mistress who begs him along deserted streets as the search is accompanied by a gradual
- Osborne. Directed with brutal efficiency by Mike Hodges. (Ceefax) 11.50 Rapido: Antoine de Caunes talks quickly and idiosyncratically about the controversial rappersPublic Enemy, as well as Aswad, Was Not Was and token dodgy French act Charlelie Courture (r). Ends at 12.35am

#### CHANNEL 4

- 6.00 Transworld Sport (r) 7.00 Loads More Muck and Magic (r). (Oracle) 7.30 Bright Sparks. Australian science Bright Sparks. Australian science and technology series 8.00 Early Bird 8.30 David the Gnome 9.00 Jayos and the Wheeled Warriors. Animated
- activentures 9.25 Movie Mahal. Today's programme features dancer, Helen, who has appeared in over 1,000 Hindi films but has now settled for a quiet married
- life (r) 10.00 A Week in Politics includes an interview with the Prime Minister of Ireland Charles Haughey on the prospects for European political union 11.00 Go for Itt Programme designed for children with special needs (r). (Oracle)
- The Waltons 1.00 Land of the Giants. Fantasy series 2.00 Film: The Thin Man (1934, b/w): The
- by W. S. Van Dyke
  3.40 Stamp of Royalty. Hannah Gordon
  reveals the story behind British Royal commemorative stamps from the Queen's Coronation to her Silve ledding Anniversary in 1972 (r)
- John Romer (r) 4.55 The Nat King Cole Show (b/w). The

satirical review of the week's news, with Bill Wallis, David Tate, John Baddeley and Sally

Grace 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 News: Sports Round-up

9.59 Weather

10.00 News

- 5.30 News summary and weather followed by Beach Volleyball. Coverage of the World championship's second semi-final in Rio de Janeiro. Presented by James Allen and Jaswinder Bancil
- CAPTAIN SOLVED ALL MY 11.30 Gophers! Family cornedy series set in the animal world (r) 12.00 PROBLEMS
- classic comedy thritler, loosely derived from Dashiell Hammett. William Powell and Myma Loy as a Crunken detective and his wealthy wife investigating the disappearance of an eccentric inventor. A successful mix of suspense and wisecracks, Directed
- 3.55 Testament. Part six of the Bible story told from a historical viewpoint by

# 6.30 The Wonder Years. Emmy awardwinning comedy series about growing up in 1960s America

up the oil spill: Don Jones

7.00 Fragile Earth: Living with the Spill.

• Channel 4's excellent environmental strand comes up with another powerful offering, this time about the effects of the huge oil spill from the Exxon supertanker which ran aground off the coast of Alaska. The bad news is that the oil killed hundreds of thousands of sea birds, ruined the local fishing industries and spread over 1,244 miles of coastline. The good news, or so it was thought, was that Exxon assumed full responsibility and mounted an elaborate clean-up operation with no

expense spared. But the further bad

- news was that the peaceful, attractive town of Valdez found itself taken over and swamped by an influx of clean up workers lured by a fast buck. They in turn attracted ugly rows of tents fast food stalls and souvenir shops. Almost the sickest joke played on the good people of Valdez was a video game in which the player was invited to to do better than the captain of the tanker and steer the vessel to safety 8.00 The Media Show. Emma Freud discovers the culture of the Japanese
- media -- from its daily newspapers with double circulation of The Sun to the world's largest advertising agency. 9.00 The Manageress. Cherie Lunghi stars as the tough manageress of a second-division football team. Gabriella realises she has made a costly error by lying to herself and allowing player to compromise her authority.
- (Oracle) 10.00 Film: National Lampoon's Animal House (1978). John Belushi and Donald Sutherland star in the riotous college comedy set on an American campus during the free-spirited 1960s. A crazy gang tnes to outwit the elegant elite, creating some hilarious adventures. Outrageous and often rude, directed by John (Trading Places)
- Landis 12.10am Film: Baara (1978). Mali film starring Balla Mousa Keita and Baba Niare. A look at the problems Africa faced as it began its industrial revolution. An engineer who encouraged union activity is found murdered in a local factory and the mystery surrounding his death clever! reveals African city life and the world of work. With English subtitles. Directed by Souleymane Cisser. Ends at1.50

Tales 9.15 Pete Smith Specialities 9.30 Opinions 10.00 A Week in Politics 11.00 Go for it 11.30 Gophers! 12.00 The Waltons 1.00 Birriv Mitzen 1.20 Hanner Call 1.45

Tchou Tchou 2.00 Adventures 3.00 The Crystal Maze 4.00 Film Perfect Woman' 5.00 Beach Volleybet 6.30 Yorkshre Ditty 6.40 San Steffen 7.00 O Bedwar Ban 7.15 Rebecca 7.25 Newyddon 7.30 Margaret Wilsams 8.00 Hel Strason 8.30 Dechrau Canu, Dechrau Cannol 9.00 Y Duw Byw 9.05 On the Other Sode 10.05 The Media Show 11.05 Homage to Becketh 12.05am Film. Baara 1.45 Dwedd

Starts: 9.20am One World Week 9.30 The rs The Day 10.05 Food — Fad or Fact? 10.30 The Art of Fredrich Gulda 11.15 Mass 12.00

- FM Steiren and MW FM Stereo and MW 5.00 The Bruno and Liz Breakfast Show 10.00 Dave Lee Travis 1.00pm Advan Juste 2.00 Madomas 3.00 The Saturday September 7.00 Andy Peobles Soul Train 9.30 In Concert 10.30 Victor Lewes Strath 1.00em-2.00 Sabutation Series 10.00m-2.00 Sabutation Series Strath 1.00em-2.00 Sabutation Series Seleptory Rock Show with Alan
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  Record 3.00 Mide Hurst 4.45 David 5.00
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### WORLD SERVICE

SATURDAY 19 MAY
5.00am World News 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours
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Sports Roundup 9.45 World bins 10.00
News Summary 10.01 Here's Humph 10.15
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- 7.00 From the House of the Dead. Opera in three acts, by Janacek, to a text based on Dostoyevsky, live from the Theatre Royal de la Monnaie. Théare Royal de la Monrale. Brussels (sung in Czech). Filka Morosov, known as Luka Kuzmich, Kuri Schreibmayer (tenor): tall convict, Thomas Dewald (tenor): short convict, Bodo Schwanbeck (bass): camp commandant, Malcolm King (bass): Geryanchikov, Dale Duesing (baritone), old convict, Raccardo Cassnelli tennori: Skuratov, Bonald
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  9.60 The Talking Out of Tarrington by Sair. Reader Peter Howell
  9.05 Lindsay Quaerte. Haydin String Quartel in D. Op 76 No 5. Douglas Young Mr Klee Visits the Botanical Gardens (first perf). Beethoven Quartel in A. Op 132
  10.30 Studio 3. Sweet Tooth by Mel Calman. George and Alice long to be adulterous lovers, but their frustrating meetings in a learn room are life-threatening to the Rum Baba. With Richard Griffiths, Dennis With Richard Griffiths, Dennis Lawson and Morag Hood (r)
  11.00 Alan Gravill. Brahms Theme
  and Variations (String Sealet,
  Op 18) arranged for piano;
  Sonata No 3 in F minor, Cip 5
  12.00-12.05am News.

8.00 Making Mr Right (1967) A A robot destined for space begins to gain humanity when left in the charge of the charming young woman who is assigned to look after him before his mission. Sterming John

Melicarch and Ann Magnuson 10.00 The Fly (1966). A britisht scienlist

invents a matter-intrisporter and after an experiment goes wrong linds himself turning into a fly. Starring Jett Goldblum and Greena

11.45 Buster (1988); Prol Collens stars as

Buster Edwards in an account of the escapedes of the Great Train Robbers. Co-

staming Julie Walters 1.30am Covert Action (1978) A former CIA

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  9.05 Sport on 4 presented by Cliff
  Morgan
  9.30 Breakaway. Holiday and travel
  news and views presented by
  Bernard Falk and Nigel
  Coombs
  10.00 News: Loose Ends: fastmount blend of news. moving blend of news, opinions and mickey-taking, hosted by Ned Shemin, and featuring Richard Jobson, Arthur Scolland, Emma Freud
  - and guests (s)

    1.00 News; The Week in
    Westminster: a review of
- Westminster: a review of happenings with comment and interviews, presented by Robin Cakley, political editor of The Times

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    Questions? (071-580 4411)
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    4.00 The Living World, David Streeter and Derek Jones seek evidence of the glanville httillary on the island of Sark
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- naniscule engineering that could become big business 5.00 Conversation Piece. Sue MacGregor tells to Sir Roger Bannister, Master of Pembroke College, Oxford, about his life and work (r) \$.25 Week Ending. Often biting,
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### criticisms of the then ruling body. 11.00 Tenns; The Lufthansa Cup from Berlin

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LIFESTYLE

#### **BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL** cottell. This official film of the 1978 World Cup was banned by FIFA because of its

- Twenty four hours of rock and pop
- 12.00 Radar Men from the Moon 12.30pm Ensign O'Toole 1.00 Zorro's Fighting Legron 1.30 One Step Beyond 2.00 Championship r 4.25 Attempon Cinema: Be

### radical newspaper6.00 Set-a-Vision Shop

- All films are followed by News and Weather 2.00pm Marriage on the Rocks (1965): An advertising executive has second thoughts about his Medican divorce when he
- Dean Martin

  2.10 Midnight (1939): Cornedy Starring
  Claudette Colhert and Don Ameche
  4.00 Day of the Outlaw (1959): A rencher
  fights against a geng of army renegades
  Starring Robert Ryan
  6.00 Lightming, the White Stalling (1986): A
  telephone mit and her horse showling to teenage girl and her horse showlump to victory Staming Mickey Rooney and Susan George 8.00 Baby Boom (1987) An inherited baby disrupts a career women's Me. Starring
- 10.00 Looking for Mr Goodbar (1977): A New York Catholic teacher plunges into the New York singles seene with tragic conse-quences. Starting Diane Keaton 12.25am Undercover (1987) David Neidorf and Jernifer Jason Leigh star as two cops on the track of some murderous drug pushers Ends at 2.00am

GALAXY

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- 6.25 Citizens: Omnibus addition (s) 7.10 Ad Lib. Robert Robinson listens in to conversations in 1215 Pre BORDER pubs and clubs around the As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Californa Highways 2.00 Brave New Wilderness 2.30 Film: Darling Lift 5.00 Coronation Street 6.00-8.30 All Clued Up 12.05em Prisone: Cell Block H 1.00 Quiz Night 1.30 i Spy 2.30 The Big Valley 3.30 Pick of the Week 4.00 The ITV Chart Show 4.50-5.00 Jobinder 7.45 Saturday Night Theatre: South by South East by Adam Peterson. Interplay between two former schoolfnends, one successful, the other not.
- Stars Derek Howard and Christopher Quinn (s) 9.00 Music in Mind; Brian Kay with a selection of melodies (s) CENTRAL As London except: 12:30pm-1.00 Gardening Time 2.00 Family Theatre: O Henry's Jimmy Valentine 3.00 The Spectacular World of Guinness Records: 3:30 Film: Wuthering Heights 5:30-6:00 All Clued Up 12:05am Prisoner: Cell Block H 1.05 Film: They Made Him a Criminal 3:00 The ITV Chart Show 3:55 Patter Merchants 4:24-5:00 Central Jobfinder '90
- 9.50 Ten to Ten. A reading, hymn and a reflection, led by Canon John Oetes (s) 10.15 Open Mind. A discussion about discipline in Britain's schools. Are liberal policies GRANADA
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From Susan Ellicott, Washington

BOEING, which includes body for the airline industry, British Airways as one of its the Federal Aviation Adminlargest customers, has been istration (FAA), ordered the carrying out a 72-hour inspection of three newer models of a cotter pin missing in a its popular 737 aircraft after a second twin-engine 737 being missing pin caused a control prepared for delivery. wheel to come off in the hands of a co-pilot flying for a West German airline.

The incident was on board a West German 737-400 - the same type of aircraft that crashed on the M1 at Kegworth. The US regulatory

### De Klerk's vision of the future

By Michael Knipe Diplomatic Correspondent

PRESIDENT de Klerk of South Africa spelled out his vision of a post-apartheid South Africa yesterday at a series of meetings with senior British financial, political and media figures at the South African embassy in London.

Mr de Klerk, who is visiting Chequers today for dis-cussions with Mrs Thatcher, is promoting the view that sanctions are yesterday's issue and attempting to focus attention on South Africa's importance as a potential powerhouse of economic development in Southern Africa as a whole.

It is a view with which Mrs Thatcher is much in sympathy. With them at Chequers will be Mr Pik Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, and Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary.

They are likely to discuss the importance of promoting renewed foreign investment in South Africa after the years of | if any work is needed it should economic isolation.

The British government strongly supports President de Klerk's reform programme and is particularly interested in Pretoria's efforts to harness the private sector, both nationally and internationally.

inspection after Boeing found

A cotter pin is a split pin which attaches the control wheel to a steering column. The pin fastens the wheel by spreading its ends after insertion in a similar way to some naper clips.

Boeing said the West German aircraft landed safely after its pilot took over on a second set of controls. It also found damage to the threads of a bolt used in the control-wheel configuration.

The reported incidents are likely to do little to help the aircraft manufacturer's image as it struggles to rid itself of problems on its production line in recent years. Last year, the company carried out a world-wide inspection of some models after the discovery of flaws in fire-extinguisher systems. More than separate defects were found on almost every Boeing model. At the time, the FAA ex-

pressed concern to Boeing in a letter that "inadequacies in several areas of the company, including basic design of electronic components, manufac turing, production inspection and suppliers" might have led to "unsafe conditions" Boeing says it has taken measures to improve the quality of aircraft coming off the production line.

In Britain checks were ordered by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) which affected British Airways, British Midland and a number of holiday airlines, including Britannia and Air UK Leisure.

A spokesman said: "This will be a visual inspection and not take very long to do. These aircraft won't fly until the checks have been done." The order refers to all 737s built in the past two years.

British Airways said it had checked its four 737-300s and "they were all fine".

# Boeing 737s | Gateshead festival becomes a garden of hope



A LINDISFARNE monk, part of the Durbam County Council contribution to the National Garden Festival in Gateshead, Tyne and Wear, receiving a final touch of paint. The festival, opened by the Princess Royal yesterday, brought hope of new life for the 200-acre site (Adam Fresco writes).

The £60 million festival has given jobs to more than 2,000 and has secured commitments for rejuvenating the once desolate area. The land has been reclaimed from derelict workings and railway sidings and when the festival

nercial development and parkland. The festival is based along one mile of the Tyne: highlights include a celebrity cricket match power-boat grand prix, Chinese dragon boat racing, fireworks, music and art.

Opening the 157-day festival the Princess Royal, its patron, said: "During my last visit I saw the bare bones of the site, which was fascinating in its way, but this is quite a revelation. It is worth remembering what nature can do with a little help from man in improving what was just a man-made vista before."

The first garden festival was held in

Liverpool in 1984 and was built on a former rubbish tip; it attracted more than three million visitors. The Merseyside Development Corporation adopted the idea from festivals abroad and made it a big success. Once the festival ended houses were built on 80 acres of the 125-acre site with the rest being left as parkland, already developed by the festival.

The Glasgow Garden Festival, which took place throughout the summer of 1988, was regarded as the most successful, attracting a record 4.25 million visitors. The five-mouth festival cost £42 million to stage on the southern bank of the River Clyde; in spite of bad weather it managed to inject £100 million into the Scottish economy. Since the event, however, the site has largely lain waste after the clearing operation.

A retail and leisure park that created undreds of jobs now stands on the site of the 1986 garden festival in the centre of Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire. The site was cleared for the festival four years ago and included a canalside marina. After the festival the council leased the site to a property company, which developed the retail and leisure park.



Detail from Repoir's "Au Moulin de la Galette"

#### Art lover's £94 million spending spree was conducting bids between a return. But on Thursday there at \$71 million. With Sotheby's

Continued from page 1 "That's for my garden."

NEW YORK: The sale of

the Renoir came as an anticlimax at Sotheby's New York telephone, and then looked on Thursday night (Sarah Jane somewhat vaguely into the Checkland writes). Like near distance. The massed compulsive gamblers, the ranks of the world's press crowd wanted to repeat that craned forward from their pen heady moment on Tuesday when Van Gogh's "Dr Gachet" smashed the world record to clapping, gasps and

At first, it appeared that the

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chandelier. He looked emphatically at a colleague to his right, receiving bids by at the side in the hope of glimpsing Mr Kobayashi.

They remembered that as he had struggled past the crowd to his limousine on Park Avenue on Tuesday auctioneer, Mr John Marion, night, he had pledged to

At \$30 million another telephone bidder joined in, communicating through one of Sotheby's bevy of young glamorous experts. Then at \$41 million, a further telephone operator stirred. From then on, the going was less like the Grand National than a game of ping pong across the rostrum, with Mr Marion the

The transaction was soon over, the gavel coming down pressionists had the same fate.

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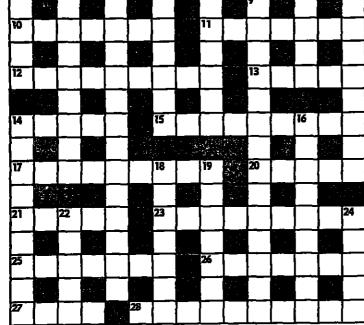
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Despite Sotheby's euphoria. last week's results had their share of disasters. One third of Christie's Impressionist watercolours and drawings failed to sell, while 65 out of their 119 secondary im-

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# THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,298



**ACROSS** 

1 Not properly covered, food li-able to go off (10)

6 Pockets large sums (4) umes by tube (7)

11 Sour name for one producing a 12 Composer of this Roman fan-

tasy? (9) 13 Gold sovereign (5)

able soil mixture (9)

14 Squat conqueror's attitude? (5) 15 Firm with insurance to protect the more expensive work (4,5) 17 Bloomer is happy, given accept-

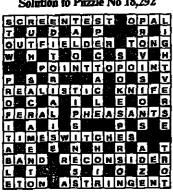
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23 Preparing joint, perhaps, for beef entree (9) 25 He made a bit in forge or in ship

26 Fit to drink, say River Board (7) 27 Castle in the air? (4)

Concise crossword, page 44

Solution to Puzzle No 18,292



28 Contemplates terminus here in

1 The Palladium reduced, some-how, to darkness (5) 2 Brilliant star from USA

proven smash! (9) 3 Jackson's battle scene? (6.8) 4 Smelt, perhaps, from Neapolitan angle? (3-4)

5 Square-dancer turning scarlet in the heat? (7) 7 The Maid of the Mountains (5) 8 Is in last, with one run scrambled, like a left-hander... (9)

9 ... but he may score through the covers on the first day (5-9) 14 One sends word - Mark to go 16 Middle kingdom that grows (9)

18 Packed place, we hear, this Swiss resort (7) 19 Was economical with butter on top of doughnut (7)

22 Masefield's peacocks, for example, caught by Greek craft (5)

24 Allow that eyelid, not opening, is defective (5)

Solution to Puzzle No 18,297 E E S G L
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published next Saturday.

**WORD-WATCHING** 

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the By Philip Howard

DIRIMENT a. Nullifying
b. Loss by seepage
c. A description RYBAT

L A fruit bat b. A dressed stone c. Rowing turning-point HANEPOOT a. A kind of grave b. Anglo-Saxon law court c. A chimney pot

JUMP-ROPE a. Skipping b. The boom yard

Answers on page 13 TIMES WEATHERCALL

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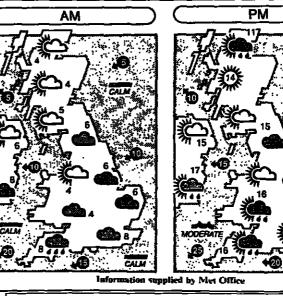
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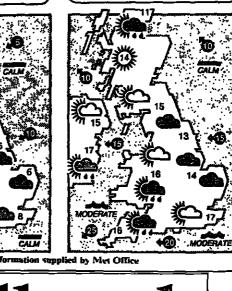
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Much of Britain will be dry with some sunny spells. The best of the sunshine will be in the north-west, more eastern coastal counties will be mostly cloudy but will remain dry, South-west England and south Wales will also be rather cloudy and there will be some showers with the chance of thunder. Outlook: cloudy with showers; rather cool.

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Elliott steps

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Elders chief

From David Tweed

Sydney

THE collapse in the share

price of Elders IXL is believed

to be behind the early resigna-

tion of Mr John Elliott as the

company's chief executive. He

is to be replaced by Mr Peter

Bartels, head of the worldwide

Mr Elliott has been trying to

straddle the increasingly un-comfortable dual role as chair-

man of both Elders' ultimate

holding company, the debt-

laden Harlin Holdings, and as

operational manager of Elders

Mr Elliott will remain as a

director and chairman of

His retirement was fore-shadowed in The Times on

March I and became in-

evitable when Elders con-

firmed a massive restructuring

plan a week later, involving

the sale of non-core assets and

the creation of two single

purpose companies - brewing

The change of chief exec-

utive marks a switch of

Mr Elliott is both a poli-

tician and a financial engineer.

whereas Mr Bartels is more

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#### **Executive Editor David Brewerton**

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FT 30 Share 1793.3 (-2.4) FT-SE 100 2269.1 (-15.3) **USM (Datastream)** 

Market report, page 20

#### Shares in 50-point collapse

THE FT-SE 100 index saw a turnround of more than 50 points as euphoria over the Chancellor's remarks on full sterling participation in the European Monetary System collapsed. By the close, the index was 15.3 points down at companies. 2,269.1 after climbing 37 points before 9am.

The pound, though under pinned by the prospect of UK interest rates staying high for the foreseeable future, and helped by the softer mark, was unable to match Thursday's 0.7 point surge on its trade-weighted index. It stood at 88.2 at the close, only 0.1 above the previous close. Kenneth Fleet, page 19

#### Conder plunges

Shares in Conder Group, the steel cladding group, slumped from 615p to 340p after Mr Christopher Stewart-Smith, chairman, told shareholders profits this year would be significantly lower. Market report, page 20

#### STOCK MADKETS

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Wolstenholme Rink	.: 3050 (+12b)
Attwoods	
Berkeley	
Gibbs & Dandy	. 150p (+10p)
Dunhill	
Barr & WA 'A'	3750 (+200)
Compass Group	3390 (+110)
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Rank Org	788½p (–10p)
Thomson Com	695D (-10D)
GUS 'A'	9522P (-290)
Borland9	64½p (~47½p)
Dmark	588%n (-9n)

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#### INTEREST RATES

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3-month eligible bills:1417±-14%%
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Federal Funds 83:e%
3-month Treasury Bills 7.74-7.73%\*
30-year bonds 100<sup>26</sup>±-100<sup>27</sup>±\*

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Although Marks has approached

and machinery to Mosright and some payments were cow because of late payments of about \$100 now coming through, said Lord Trefgarne. layed because of a temporary So far, the British authori-The reaction comes in the ties have been accepting wake of European companies suggestions that the problems experiencing similar problems have been largely admin-istrative in origin. Central over payment from Russia; and is a fresh blow to Mr Soviet authorities had de-Mikhail Gorbachov's struggle volved hitherto centralized

By Joe Joseph, Tokyo, and Derek Harris, London

working to put the problem

to modernize Soviet industry. responsibility for foreign trade The arrears to the four steel to various new groupings in the Soviet Union, including companies are part of a mounting tally of late payments to several Japanese firms totalling about \$250 million, according to sources companies. What is not clear at the moment is if some or all of these are merely learning the at Japan's big trading

halt exports of steel pipes authorities. Moscow was

ropes or whether they are so short of hard currency that The problem is seen by some as one of the growing they cannot, at any rate for the time being, pay for goods and pains of perestroika, as deservices in good time. cision-making moves away Japan's big trading comfrom central purchasing organizations to local

panies, which dominate the \$6 billion annual bilateral trade between Tokyo and Moscow, But with Japan now Rusare now threatening to join in sia's third biggest trading partsuspending shipments to the ner after West Germany and Soviet Union unless payment Finland, a move by other Japanese companies to follow suit could badly jolt the Soviet

is forthcoming.
Payments by the Soviet
Union began falling behind
schedule last October, when Soviet corporations began asking Japanese trading companies for extensions in pay-ing for imports of chemical products, steel and other goods. Last month, frustrated Japanese trading companies filed details of their trading losses with Japan's Ministry of Trade and Industry (Miti) in order to claim trade insurance.

Steel interests in Europe are Miti has not yet approached among those known to have been having trouble with Moscow directly to unravel tardy Soviet payments. So it the depth of the problem, but may be only a matter of time before European steel suppliofficials have apparently begun to sound out Western ers deny more shipments to trading partners on their experiences. Japan is also Earlier this week Lord Trefgarne, the British Trade July's summit of leading in-Minister, reported on com- dustrial nations in Houston,

Australians in shake-ups

interests are sold, and Mr El-liott, while retaining the chairmanship, is expected to hand over management to Mr

From The Times, March 1

role when Elders changed its

name to Foster's Brewing

Group at the beginning of the

As part of the reorganiza-

tion, all the non-brewing in-terests were to be sold and

Courage, the British brewing

subsidiary, had been planning

to buy the brewing interests of

Grand Metropolitan. That

deal, along with a joint pubs

venture, has been referred to

the Monopolies and Mergers

yesterday's closing price of profits.

shelved because of the poor

state of the Australian stock

market, which means that the

expected return of funds to

Elders shareholders is now in

statement released by Elders

said Mr McGregor had ad-

meeting that he was no longer

associated with Harlin.

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financial year on July 1.

FOUR Japanese com- British companies which had trade insurance rates in rebeen discussed with the Soviet action to the rush of claims. According to Japanese press reports, Soviet officials told Japanese trading companies that payments had been de-

> shortage of hard currency.
> The officials said that decentralization of trading authority from central ministries to the various public corporations had prompted many of these corporations to increase their imports at the same time.

That led to a currency squeeze and havoc at the Soviet Union's four foreign trade settlement banks.

There is a possibility, analysts say, that with the Soviet Union now billing Eastern Europe for oil in dollars, the situation may improve. But many Japanese trading com-panies doubt that this is a temporary problem.

They say Moscow's shortage of hard currency is structural and that the problem is getting worse.

Recent research by the United States Central Intellience Agency, showing that Soviet oil production is fall-ing, has done little to paint a rosier picture, especially if oil prices stay weak.

Japanese exports of steel pipes, plant and machinery to the Soviet Union were already shrinking last year because of Moscow's shortage of hard currency.

Now they are likely to shrink further. The suspensions announced by the four steel firms - Nippon Steel, Kawasaki Steel, NKK and Sumito Metal Industries total about 130 tons of steel products.

Some pipes and other machinery that already have been loaded ready for shiphoping to raise the issue at this ment are being held back until the Japanese exporters receive letters of guarantee from Texas. Miti has doubled its Moscow

Net assets slide

at Charterhall

forces meeting

By Our City Staff

THE estimated 1,500 private

shareholders in Charterhall,

the former British vehicle of

Mr Russell Goward, the trou-

bled Australian entrepreneur,

have been called to a special

meeting on June 13 after a

disastrous set of interim fig-ures and hefty write-offs pushed the company's net

assets below acceptable levels.

have been suspended at 91/2p

since late last year, has won a

further lifeline from State

Bank of New South Wales, its

main banker, which has ex-

totalled £16.36 million,

against a gain of £1.92 million.

After almost doubled interest

a profit of £5.76 million last

Shoe Holdings and Corah, in

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share capital of £25.9 million.

Harlin is groaning under the tended its existing facilities weight of a Aus\$2.8 billion and provided additional help

(£1.3 billion) debt, with its until September next year. only asset — 1.2 billion Elders The company has debts

doubt, putting further pres-type on Hagin

Mr Alan McGregor, a director of Elders for 10 years, was appointed deputy chairman. A two subsidiaries, Tandem

vised the board at yesterday's losses would push net assets to

Charterhall, whose shares

# £1bn Coal bid under fire



Globe in trust: David Hardy under watchful eye of former chairman Lord Pender

#### Globe hits back with higher asset valuation

By Neil Bennett

GLOBE Investment Trust has hit back at the £1.03 billion hostile bid from British Coal Pension Funds by producing a revised asset value of 225p per share, 34p above the offer.

The new valuation appears in Globe's defence document. entitled "An offer you must refuse." It compares with a value of 204.5p in March. The document gives Globe's figures for the year to end-March. Pre-tax profits rose 34 per cent to £49.8 million. while the final dividend is 4p. up 19 per cent, making a 5.78p

total against 4.98p. Standard accounting of the assets, by contrast, put them them at 213p a share, an increase of 3.7 per cent from last year, marginally higher than the FT all-share index.

The new asset value, if accepted by shareholders, puts Brish Coal's bid in doubt. Globe's shares rose 5p to 196p, against the 191p offer.

Globe has augmented standard asset valuation of 210p a share from May 11 by including £44 million for its fund management operations. £22.5 million for the benefit of its debenture stock, and £21.5 million for the final dividend.

The company has debts of Presenting Globe's defence, shares, or 56 per cent of the about £80 million and is Mr David Hardy, the chaircapital — worth significantly unlikely to be covering in-less (about Aus\$2.2 billion) at terest charges with its trading man, said: "This is a thoroughly lousy offer from the Coal Board. It is just nasty Charterhall made an operat-Plans to float off the agri-business have now been shelved because of the been shelved because of the been shelved because of the beauty of t short-termism that reflects very badly on the City today." December.Exceptional losses

Mr Malcolm Le May, of BZW, British Coal's adviser, poured scorn on the valuation. "The revision is highly spurious and has a number of eléments that are not normally included in net asset valuation." he said.

British Coal published yearend figures from British Investment Trust, which it cotrols. These show a 5.8 per cent rise in asset value to 766p, more than 2 per cent better than Globe's.

Kenneth Fleet, page 19

#### Gloomy market again halves Coloroll value By Martin Waller

THE market value of Coloroll, charge of the day-to-day run-

the battered home furnishings group, halved again yesterday take a pessimistic view of the director, Mr Eric Kilby. rescue plan put together by Candover Investments.

The price fell as low as 3 3/4p at one stage before firming again to 4 1/4p, half the overnight price, valuing the group at less than £8.5 million. The shares peaked at 373p before the 1987 crash.

The group was condemning as erroneous a report that the senior management would be leaving if the Candover package, which has the backing of three substantial shareholders in Coloroll, Legal & General, the Coal Board pension funds and Scottish Amicable, succeeds.

No decisions have been made, but Mr Philip Green,

ning of the business, is likely to stay. An eventual victim, as the market continued to however, could be the finance The Candover plan would

mean a hefty dilution of existing shareholders' interests and has not met with the approval of the other shareholders. But it would allow a degree of face-saving for the banks, owed as much as £180 million by Coloroll at the last

The Swedish investors trying to put together a rival rescue have the support of two large Swedish industrial groups in the home furnishings business prepared to participate in any attempt at reconstruction. Mr Peter Gyllenhammar, the Swedish businessman, and the investment house Proventus Interthe managing director and in national hold 5 per cent.

# Guerin company in \$4m bargain

By Angela Mackay

PARENT Industries, a company wholly-owned by Mr James Guerin, the former deputy chairman of Ferranti International, has pleaded guilty to one charge of racketeering and agreed to pay the US government a fine of \$4.4 million.

The admission of guilt is the first by Mr Guerin, albeit through his personal company. He has steadfastly denied any wrongdoing related to an alleged £215 million International last year

The US authorities have been investigating Mr Guerin and the company he founded. International Signal & Control, for more than a year and have alleged he masterminded a \$1 billion defence contract fraud which caused havoc at Ferranti.

The British defence and electronics group, which bought ISC for £460 million at the height of the alleged fraud, is suing Mr Guerin and others to try to recover the funds.

In a plea agreement dated May 15. Parent industries inc. promised to pay the govern-ment \$2.37 million in cash guaranteed by Mr Guerin's wife, Helen, and forfeit its rights to \$2 million being held in escrow in a pay dispute which the US Justice Department is fighting to keep

Parent has also promised to cooperate with the US authorities investigating individuals and corporations involved in an inquiry into Ferranti Inter-national, ISC and their subsidiaries.

Parent said the government could file specific facts about the guilty plea at a later date. The New Era newspaper in Lancaster, Pennsylvania --home of ISC -- suggested Mr Guerin was also trying to

negotiate a plea bargain.

Mr Guerin founded Parent in 1982 as a holding company for businesses unrelated to

In court this week, Justice Department officials said Parent also served as the denository for 32 million Ferranti shares. When ISC merged with Ferranti in September 1987, Mr Guerin obtained "good" Ferranti stock in return for ISC shares that were artificially inflated by the alleged defence contract fraud. according to evidence by the Internal Revenue Service

These shares were then transferred to Parent Industries which financing from numerous financial institutions using the stock as collateral."

Loans ranging from \$500,000 to \$39 million were raised, according to the IRS.

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M&S plans to treble number of stores in France with £107m expansion St Michael poised for European advance into the Spanish market with a store in moving quickly into other European By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor markets, although it has been weighing Madrid and is due to open its first Dutch MARKS and Spencer, the food and outlet in Amsterdam next year. clothing retailer, is to accelerate its Elsewhere in Europe, Marks has so far

penetration into European markets with expansion which in France alone will involve investment amounting to about

FFr1 billion (£107 million). In France Marks expects to treble its number of outlets to about 25 over the next five years, said Mr Malcolm Hobbs, managing director for Europe. So far Marks earns 80 per cent of its European revenues in France.

Continental markets with caution - it has built a chain of eight stores in France over 15 years - it has also just broken

only a presence in Belgium, with two

stores, in Brussels and Antwerp, but is looking to expand there further. The formula which has so far proved

is for less emphasis on food than in

Britain and more on clothing and other textiles, and homeware. Spain, with its rapid rate of industrial growth, is seen as a promising market for the Marks style. Early results have already encouraged the group to explore more Spanish opportunities, said M&S.

up the prospects. West Germany may become a prime target since a successful penetration there could blaze a trail into East Germany and Eastern Europe, but currently no projects are planned. Italy is not an imminent prospect either. Marks has an experimental franchise successful in Europe, especially France,

link with an outlet in Hungary, which carries Marks and Spencer goods but under the local store's own label. The mainland European operation saw a turnover increase of 22 per cent

and a 41 per cent leap in operating profits in the last full year to March. Clothing sales were up 24 per cent and homware But it is playing down the possibilities of goods rose 17.6 per cent.

# **BUSINESS ROUNDUP** Wardle sheds 20 jobs at Bridgend factory

WARDLE Storeys, the plastic sheeting and survival equipment manufacturing recovering from a sharp profits downturn earlier in the year, is shedding 20 jobs with immediate effect at its Bridgend factory in South Wales.

The factory employs 85 people and carries out some of the simpler manufacturing operations for the main parachute factory at Blackmill, 10 miles away. More redundancies will follow when it closes in December, although Wardle said it would transfer as many workers as possible to the Blackmill site. Mr Brian Taylor, Wardle Storeys' chief executive, said Ministry of Defence business is declining and there is a large over-capacity in this sector of the clothing industry.

#### Shandwick acquires TPS

SHANDWICK, the world's biggest PR consultancy, has acquired TPS Group in London for up to £6 million in cash and shares. TPS made pre-tax profits of £320,000 in the year to end-December. Shandwick will make an initial payment of £2.75 million in cash and

#### Trust raises asset value

OVERSEAS Investment Trust lifted pre-tax revenue from £788,000 to £793,000 in the six months to end-March. Eps slip from 1.37p to 1.29p. The interim dividend improved to 0.75p (0.70p). Gross revenue de-clined to £1.12 million (£1.37 million) while net shares, with the balance asset value increased to depending on performance. 277.8p (260.7p).

# Red tape delays Young Young Group, the Tyneside coal miner, says its Aus\$5.5

million (£2.5 million) purchase of a 42.9 per cent stake in Australian Mining Investments, which was to have been completed by May 16, has been delayed by administrative problems in Australia. The required meeting of AMI shareholders will now only take place on May 30, after which a placing of £2 million of Young Group shares will proceed.
IEP Securities, which holds a 17.7 per cent stake in Young

Group and is underwriting the placing, has extended its placing agreement, increasing its commission from £10,000 to £50,000. IEP's stake in Young will increase to a minimum of 21.3 per cent and a maximum of 26.9 per cent. It has been granted an option to acquire a further 100.000 Young shares.

#### Profits from Lendu slump

LENDU Holdings, the Australian sheep farming to Malaysian rubber production company, reports pre-tax profits of £137.000 for the year to end-December (£861,000). The figure includes £430,000 of disposal gains. The dividend is cut to 0.7p (0.9p). Turnover final dividend is improved to £546,000. Eps slump from 6.73p to 0.89p. final dividend is improved to 1.2p (1.0p), making a total of 2.2p (1.725p) for the year.

#### Income up by 42.3%

VALUE and Income Trust, the investment trust, reports a fully diluted net asset value of 75.5p, compared with 74.2p previously. Pre-tax income advanced by 42.3 per cent to £1.96 million in the year to end-March. Eps rise from 2.07p to 3.46p. The

### Rand Mines warning

RAND Mines, a diversifed South African mining house, is holding its interim dividend for the half year to March 31 at 120 cents a share. But it is giving a warning that profit hopes for the year will not now be realized and that net earnings could be 20 per cent lower. Rand Mines reported a net attributable profit of R216.3 million (£48.5 million) for the previous year and paid a total dividend of 560 cents on earnings a share of 1,929 cents.

However, the board hopes to hold this year's final dividend should profits fall. The interest charge jumped by 67 per cent to R27 million in the six months and attributable net profit fell from R99.3 million to R98.3 million. Earnings were 727 cents (886 cents).

### New group aims for \$1 billion in sales within 18 months

# BICC to slim in N America

rationalize its North American operations which account for 10 per cent of operating and 19 per cent of operating income.

Mr Schell, aged 54, founded Cablec in 1984 after master-minding a \$16 million management buyout of the nature of the proper income.

America.

Under the new management company - chaired by Mr Harry Schell, who also sits on the main BICC board — are grouped Cablec Corporation. the biggest manufacturer of power, control and instrumentation cables in the US, and Phillips Cables of Canada, which BICC has owned for more than 30 years.

Annual sales of BICC North America will be more than new agreements with the much as \$1.4 billion by 1993." acquired in the US and Can-\$750 million, with about unions. Now that he has been Last month, BICC guaranteed ada. We intend to exploit guest of BICC.

uncome.

It is looking at ways of cutting costs following the formation of BICC North America.

agement buyout of the power cable business of Phelps Dodge Cable and Wire, the group he joined in 1961.

Sales were \$54 million in the North American cable business of Phelps one plant, it will be a couple of hundred people, if we consolidate the money to accelerate growth in the North American date two plants it will be 200.

lion targeted for this year. Cablec became a whollyowned subsidiary of BICC last Mr Schell's success has acquisitions.

come from acquiring unprofitpanies, slimming them down

BICC, the cables and con- 3,600 employees and 5 million given authority over Phillips a \$250 million five-year BICC's resources worldwide. and its 1,300 workers, he is revolving credit arrangement looking closely at cost savings. with a syndicate of US and

1984 and have since grown at an average annual rate of 43 per cent. Sales last year were with the chief executive, Mr \$355 million with \$500 milcomes to Canada in August." Mr Schell is determined that on looking for acquisitions. sales growth will continue, organically and through

He said: "Our internal target in North America is to we serve. We believe we have break \$1 billion in sales within the best technology by virtue able and badly managed com- get in North America is to where necessary and reaching 18 months and and rise to as new agreements with the much as \$1.4 billion by 1993." acquired in the US and Can-

the moment, though not all the takeovers are expected to come to fruition. About half of Mr Schell's time is now spent

He said: "Our strategy is to be the dominant wire and cable company in North America in the businesses that acquired in the US and Can"In the highly fragmented

electronic instrumentation and control-cable industry where there are many competitors, we think the opportunities for acquisitions and growth in market share are excellent."

BICC concentrates on cable business in North America. though in Britain it is equally well known for its Balfour Beatty construction business which has a 10 per cent stake in the Transmanche-Link consortium building the Channel tunnel.

BICC has also joined with Trafalgar House and British Rail to build the high-speed line from London to the Channel tunnel.
The author visited the US as a

#### told their parent's board, then headed by Mr John Gunn, about the exposure on April The board then requested a further report from Atlantic, which said a £149.9 million

B&C was

'told of

£160m

exposure'

By Angela Mackay

DIRECTORS of Atlantic

Computers have informed

their administrators that they

told the board of British &

Commonwealth in April last

year about an uncovered exposure in Britain of £160

In a document sent to Price

Waterhouse this week, At-

lantic directors alleged they

million.

provision needed to be made, The 1989 internal pre-tax profit forecast at the computer company was downgraded from £37.1 million to £24.4 million as a result.

The time lapse between the alleged warning and the action taken — one year — makes it difficult for Mr Gunn to defend his position on the board. He is became chief executive after Sir Peter Thompson assumed the chairmanship this year.

Sources who sighted a copy of the report said the Atlantic directors noted the company's financial state had not changed materially since April last year and said they were at a loss about the reasons for B&C's decision at Easter to appoint administrative receivers. B&C shares are still suspended on the Stock Exchange after the company announced it was writing off its entire £550 million investment in Atlantic and had appointed receivers.

As part of a rescue plan, B&C has promised to sell £750 million of its assets by mid-1991. As well as B&C Merchant Bank, the group is trying to sell Exco International, the money broker.

The deal, which is in the early stages of negotiation, involves a management buyout and the sale of part of the business to a pank.

SG Warburg, B&C's mer-chant bank, has been canvassing the group's bankers, bond holders and loan stock holders, trying to convince the group's backers to support a complex series of plans, which it hopes to make public this

### Decline in profits at Harding

By Philip Pangalos

THE interim decline at Harding Group, the distributor of electrical, electronic and engineering products, continued as pre-tax profits slipped to £821,000 in the year to end-March, against £1.25 million previously.

Turnover, boosted by acquisitions, advanced by 33 per cent to £28.4 million. Earnings per share fell from 7.15p to 3.64p, but the final dividend is maintained at 1.65p, making an unchanged total of 2.75p.

Mr Dennis Harding, chairman, said higher interest rates are resulting in lower capital investment in both industry and construction. While these conditions prevail, restoring margins will be difficult.

The group sold its Earthspan concrete floor joint business in January, realizing £5 million in a move to focus on the distribution of industrial products and reduce gearing. Earthspan contributed an operating profit of £715,000 on turnover of £6.09 million. Gearing of 220 per cent at year-end has been eliminated.

There is an extraordinary charge of £124,000, relating to last September's sale of the loss-making heating spares



Hornby's model performance

MR JACK Strowger (above), chairman of Hornby Group, the model railway to sports boat company, told shareholders at yesterday's annual meeting that the company could look forward to a continuing strong performance in 1990.

"I am pleased to report that both sectors of the group's business are continuing to do well," be said. "In the case of Hornby Hobbies, orders received, sales, and production are currently significantly ahead of the corresponding period last year," he said. "The situation for the Fletcher business shows a similar pattern. The relocation to the new factory is progressing well and will provide greatly improved facilities, allowing for future

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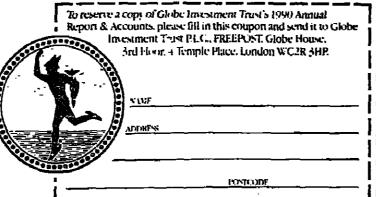
Attributable profits Year ended 31st March, 1990	£34.67m	up 28%
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# **WORLD MARKET INDICES**

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Finland	99.1	0.8	-14.1	0.9	-13.1	0.7	-9.9
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France	829.1	0.1	2.5	0.4	3.4	-0.1	7.5
Germany	932.3	0.3	1.6	0.7	3.9	0.2	6.5
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New Zealand	86.4	1.6	-16.2	1.6	-8.7	1.4	-12.1
Norway	1580.9	0.4	17.8	0.5	19.9	0.3	23.5
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Sweden	1718.9	0.1	-2.0	0.3	-0.1	0.0	2.7
(free)	248.5	-0.1	2.6	0.1	4.7	-0.3	7.6
Switzerland	935.2	0.6	2.3	0.7	-2.1	0.4	7.2
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under Astra's former manage-"supergun" controversy tra bought PRB, had been held for compensation, and has ment. through its connection with Dr Gerald Bull, the murdered up by the request for "bigger guarantees" by PRB's prin-cipal bankers — Générale de it was told PRB would make a arms dealer, have been forced by the Belgian courts to keep Banque and Banque Indosuez profit of £2 million; instead it the company's credit facilities Belgique. in place for an extra three

But Mr Tony McCann, the chief executive of Astra, which The courts, which were to rule on whether to grant the is not putting any money towards the rescue plan, said a company protection from its creditors on May 24, have "compromise" looks far more likely. given PRB until the end of June to put the finishing

"Its future still hangs in the said Mr Roy Barber, Astra's balance, but at least it's not in chairman. PRB had a conreceivership yet. The further tract, now lapsed, for "unextension by the court gives usual types of gun propellant cause to think a satisfactory plan to keep PRB alive may be in the offing," he said.

PRB, which employs 1,300 certain to fall into receivership people in five factories, will should the court not rule in continue to trade with the help favour of PRB's request last of a "small loan" from La

settled out of court for "a

Mr John Anderson, who resigned as an executive director last month without compensation, was questionmade a £12 loss. Astra has written off the £20 million owed to it by PRB. ed last week. Mr John Sellens, the former sales director, was also questioned.

The MoD, which charged The Belgian government is Mr Christopher Gumbley, now investigating PRB's involvement in the sale of gun Astra's former chief executive. with corruptly giving a £12,500 BMW car to Mr propellants to Iraq via Jordan, Denis Stowe, an MoD employee also charged with corruptly receiving it, has also for very large guns" with ATI of Athens, a defence agent of Iraq closely linked to Dr Bull and his Brussels-based Space questioned a second MoD

Mr Barber said he knew no more about the continuing MoD investigation.

Astra has given warning that it will fall into "substan-Meanwhile, two further formonth for Chapter 11-style Générale until the court ruling been arrested and held for tial losses" for the year to enc-bankruptcy protection. The in late June. Astra, which rescue plan, formulated by claims it was misled by La Defence fraud squad, which the acquisition of PRB. mer directors of Astra have

# Global war on battlefield of wider share ownership

he war of words between British Coal Pension Funds, the aggressor, and Globe Investment Trust has reached a new and noisy pitch. Not without good cause, Globe sees itself as a shining light among investment trusts and neither the cash offer nor the two variants of it would persuade me to

In its defence document issued yesterday, Globe, sensibly, is not fighting on investment performance alone. Though good, this can be challenged. Where the confrontation is not conventional is in the field of Wider Share Ownership.

Globe has more shareholders (42,000) than any other investment trust, more shareholders in fact than the vast majority of quoted companies. There is a case, which I support, for making a well-managed investment trust the core of a private investment portfolio; and there are powerful arguments for not accepting an opportunistic bid that, in chairman David Hardy's words, "completely

ignores what Globe is all about." The wider context in which the bid is set was well drawn by Michael Hart, chairman of the Association of Investment Trust Companies. Mr Hart has made his reputation by skilfully conducting the investment policies of Foreign & Colonial, the daddy of all investment trusts, not by making speeches. At the AITC's first annual

Confucius again without de-

lay. "Beware light at the end of tunnel," he murmured; "it may be

false dawn." He may be right - he

usually is - but it seems to me we can

take comfort from the positive way the market reacted to what it most wanted

to hear - some "good" political news,

The market knows pretty accurately

the extent of the "bad" economic news

likely to hit it in the rest of this year. It

tends to be less sophisticated in its

political analysis. Though given from

time to time to optimistic assessments

(wishful thinking) of what Labour

would do if it were the next govern-

ment, it must prefer the Conservative

or portents rather than news.



dinner on Wednesday he excelled

Unsurprisingly, as he was defending his own, he saw the Coal Board Pension Fund "blithely digging away in the dark, quite oblivious of the damage it is doing to the revival of a useful part of the City infrastructure, and in particular to the cause of wider share ownership and popular capitalism."

But, he went on: "That may not cut any ice with institutions. There are some managers who would sell their grandmother if they could get the right price for her. But I cannot see how it is in anybody's interest to sell £1 billion of their assets at a discount near the bottom of the market."

Then, addressing the basic problem of investment trusts in bid situations - the discount at which their share prices stand to underlying net asset values - he claimed it was "an oversimplification to say because there is a discount there is oversupply. On the same grounds there should be fewer banks, insurance companies and

'60s and '70s when high tax drove the private investor out of shares into taxprivileged areas. We have already reversed that trend with a new and competitive investment product."

How much real notice will the grandmother sellers take of Mr Hart? Seventy per cent of investment trust shares are held by institutions and the mass of UK companies is controlled by 30. They will decide the fate of Globe. If they throw it to the Coal Funds they will have condoned wiping out the biggest investment trust and 5 per cent of the investment trust sector at a promising stage of its recovery. They will have reinforced the cynics opinion that the City doesn't care a fig for wider share ownership except during privatization sales.

The AITC is sore with the Coal Funds because the way has just been cleared by the Securities and Investments Board for it to tackle the mass savings market with savings schemes. The word sent buzzing through the industry by its dedicated and zealous leader, Philip Chappell, is "marketing." Not all investment trust managements have yet woken up to the wider responsibilities and new opportunities, and many may prefer to stay asleep. Their aggregate fees are run-ning at about £150 million a year and they spend £10 million on marketing their wares. They may need to reverse

#### Backlash by institutions predicted

### Hanson attacks **US** bid barriers

touches to a rescue plan.

Acquired by Astra Hold-ings, the troubled British mu-

nitions and fireworks com-

pany, in a £21.5 million deal

last year, the indebted PRB is

By Carol Leonard

LORD Hanson, chairman of Hanson - which this week revealed that it had more than £6 billion at its disposal in cash and facilities - and Britain's past master of the contested takeover bid, is critical of the growing corporate protectionism in the US, considers hostile acquisitions no longer possible there but predicts an im-minent backlash by the big US investment institutions.

Speaking at Smith New Court's annual dinner, held at the former Astor family home, Cliveden, in Buckinghamshire, he said: "When it comes to takeovers in the US, Sir James Goldsmith might tell us the game is over. It is not over. But the rules and playing fields are constantly being changed - and often those changes are to protect sleepy management and to win votes.

"To work within these rules, the British businessman has to do more homework and stay away from hostile bids that are probably not going to work anyway."

He pointed out that 39 states now have some form of

But there was, he said, mounting pressure among institutional fund managers for a reversal of such regulations and attitudes.

"Institutional fund managers across the US are flexing their muscles and saying that their legal responsibility is to do the best they can for their shareholders. Increasingly, they are objecting to these rules."

Lord Hanson, who rarely speaks in public, had clearly been persuaded by the promise that a number of his own key institutional shareholders tion to the British political his colours so firmly and so would be there to listen to arena, which came across as a publicly to the mast. His



Hanson: "More of us must rally round the flag"

gnests - who included Mr cast. John Wakeham, the Secretary anti-takeover law. "It is a sad sight," he went on, "in the US, the bastion of free enterprise." frey Mulcahy, chief executive of Kingfisher, Mr Norman Ireland, chairman of Bowater, Mr Ian Maxwell, son of on to say that the time had Robert, and Mr Greg come for a few more of us to Hutchings, chief executive of Tomkins — were a large — The only cloud on the Tomkins — were a large number of prominent fund

> "All my most important customers are here," Lord Hanson observed. But it was those same "important cus-

Among the 100 assembled vative Party political broad-

Despite insisting: "I'm not of State for Energy, Mr Geof-politically biased - I em ployed Glenda Jackson for a TV commercial. She is one of Ireland, chairman of Bowater, the newest Labour candidates, Mr Michael Green, chairman wearing some of her oldest of Carlton Communications, clothes, I might add," he went

horizon in the UK is the lack managers who, both singularly and collectively, held a significant number of Hanson doubtedly changed for the better but voters are fickle and ungrateful."

When he finished, one highly influential investment director remarked: "It's not tomers" who were most taken surprising that he holds those aback when the entrepreneur- views, but it is surprising that, ial peer then turned his atten- as a businessman, he nailed particularly fervent Conser- bridges are burning."

### EC set to get tough over Rover

From Michael Binyon Brussels

THE European Commission is expected to take a tough position over the repayment of inducements offered to British Aerospace for the pur chase of Rover.

This follows the decision by Sir Leon Brittan, the com petition commissioner, to ask Renault to repay much of the debt write-offs paid by the French government.

Sir Leon is now expected to demand that Rover repay all of the £38 million offered as inducements, and may demand a proportion of the undervaluation of the sale.

Commission sources have confirmed that he will now recommend to fellow commissioners that Renault repay about FF8.4 billion (£895 million). The Commission is likely to endorse his recommendation on Wednesday.

Paving the way for a bull run

fter the equity market's daz-zling 63.3 point leap on Thursday, I had to consult The fact that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, both in his Wall Street Journal interview and in his speech to the Confederation of British Industry annual dinner, seemed to be contemplating membership of the Exchange Rate Mechanism of the European Monetary System sooner rather than later suggested two things.

> First, that the Government was regaining its nerve, helped no doubt by bad, as distinct from disastrous, local election results, and had grasped the fact that the Prime Minister's chauvinism made a significant percentage of voters uneasy. Second, that the City believes that in the early stages at least sterling would be safer within the ERM than without. The City in the

regime to continue. The prospects for Mrs Thatcher have improved.

last two weeks has been working itself away from a position in which it felt interest rates might have to go higher to one where it is confident that the next move in rates will be down. With John Major's help it is nearly there. Both the gilt-edged and money markets have tentatively taken this on board and it is the key to stabilizing ordinary shares in preparation for the next bull market.

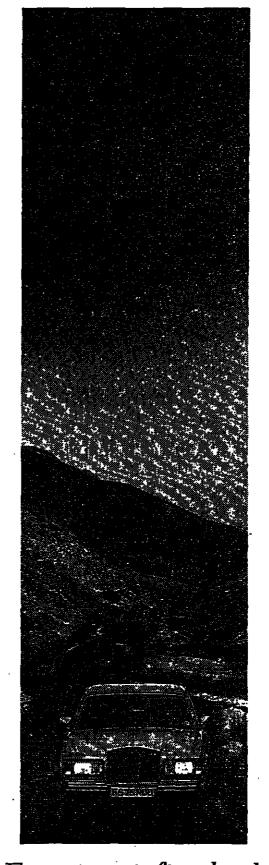
> This could be some way off; it depends on the relative fortunes of the two main parties.

I stay with my prediction that the general election will be in the autumn of 1991, and my feeling that full membership of the EMS is an important date in the political timetable as well as a financial event of some

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### The Guinness Trial

# Approach 'had no effect' on voting by Prudential

LORD John Hunt, the chairman of Prudential Corporation, told a court that an approach by Sir Jack Lyons,

the company backing the Guinness bid. The former Cabinet Secretary said Sir Jack approached him in April 1986, days before the Guinness £2.7 billion offer for Distillers went

the financier, had no effect on

unconditional. He told Southwark Crown Court Sir Jack sought to persuade him of the merits of Guinness rather than its rival Argyll, but the approach had no influence on Prudential assenting its 4 per cent holding in Distillers to the brewer.
Lord Hunt said he made a
note of the meeting. "He [Sir Jack | said the Prudential had a the Gunness bid.

"He then outlined the rea- until the last moment." sons why we should do so, placing particular emphasis on the management strengths and of Mr Ernest Saunders as tial decided to deal with the he saw them." Lord Hunt said holding in Distillers?" the conversation was in general terms but there was reported the approach to me Lord Hunt replied "yes." He nothing in the information Sir on paper to the investment added he made it clear the Jack gave that was not availdepartment but in fact the board had the final decision. able elsewhere. As non-exec-feeling of the investment com-

of the rival bids. Mr John Chadwick, QC, that we should in fact support of theft, false accounting and prosecuting asked: "Did you Argyll." say anything during the meet-



Sir Jack: 'under pressure' ing leading him to think you had made a decision about how you would deal with the Prudential holding." Lord Hunt replied: "Very much the opposite, because I told him had set out in general terms the Prudential normally made the benefit to the country and sizeable holding in Distillers and he hoped we would accept the Guinness bid.

The fractional very much late to Prudential investors of puting its Distillers stock behind tested bid and we tend to wait Guinness.

what he said to you have any influence on the way Pruden-

able elsewhere. As non-executive chairman, he was not involved in the consideration the rival bids and when it thony Parnes, aged 44, and Sir came before the board was Jack, aged 74, deny 24 charges

However, he admitted at trial continues.

the end of the day, Prudential backed Guinness as it had already won more than 50 per cent of acceptances from Distillers holders. Mr Robert Harman, QC, defending Sir Jack, asked why Lord Hunt was in court as he was on no list of prosecution witnesses.

The reply was that officers of the Prudential read newspaper reports that he had been persuaded to back Guinness by Sir Jack. Lord Hunt added it was an innacurate picture. The court has heard that when Sir Jack was interviewed by Government inspectors in vestigating the bid, he claimed he was under pressure to recruit supporters for Guinness. And he agreed Sir Jack

Mr Harman asked: "He Mr Chadwick asked: "Did sought to persuade you of the ments of an improved company under Ernest Saunders rather than James Gulliver [of Argyli] he said Ernest Lord Hunt said: "No. I Saunders was the best man."

Companies Act breaches. The

STOCK MARKET

### Dow falls at opening

New York
THE Dow Jones industrial Bear Steams, said: "This is average fell by 8 points to such a guessing game on 2,823.71 in early trading.

A weak bond market and profit-taking followed recent gains in shares as traders waited for the expiration of key futures and index options,

options expiration day. The opening does not necessarily indicate the trend for the day. It's an excuse for profittaking."

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# Equities drop as the funds finally take their profits

busiest mornings for months as a further sharp rise in share However, the broader-based prices finally tempted sellers into the open.

By 10am, some 300 million shares had been traded - the highest volume, the London Stock Exchange thought, for about 18 months. By 1pm, as the wave of selling slowed, that figure had risen to 473 million. Before Thursday's record-breaking dealings, when more than 650 million shares were traded, the average day's turnover in May had been under 380 million. Market-makers, still short

of stock, began the day in cautious mood. But a sharp rise in the June FT-SE 100 futures contract, at one point opening up a 40-point premium to fair value, left them with no alternative but to mark the prices of the underlying shares sharply higher. But, as the rise in the FT-SE 100 index hit 37 points shortly before 9am, the institutions' nerve cracked and the selling

Prices fell sharply as funds rushed to cash in on the gains made in Thursday's 63.3 point rise. More than 150 million shares were traded between 9am and 10am, but, despite this heavy volume, the Stock Exchange pronounced itself pleased with the way the market coped.

The gains were wiped out in two hours and by midday the FT-SE 100 was showing a fall of about 5 points. By contrast, the FT-30 index continued to show single-figure gains all day, indicating that institutions were selling some of the second-line stocks that had advanced specification. become involved in Thursday's euphoria.

was still 1 point up at 1,796.7. Wall Street. At 3pm it was down 11 at 2,273.4, with the discount to the June FT-SE futures contract at its lowest

for some time. The most dramatic fall of contruction group Conder, where an AGM statement from the chairman, Mr Christopher Stewart-Smith, sent the shares tumbling 265p to 350p. Only six weeks ago, the shares

stood at 905p. Storehou Mr Stewart-Smith said the to 110p. £6 million of losses made by

By about 3pm, the FT 30 statistics for the domestic find Thursday's buying spree FT-SE 100 index eased further spreading into in the retail and following a weak opening by construction sectors. Many of those shares lost ground yesterday.

Great Universal Stores A.

one of Thursday's star performers in the retail sector, fell 14p to 968p, while Burton the day came at the specialist Group fell 3p to 175p. Body Shop fell 5p to 465p, while Next shed 2p to 66p. Other high street names to suffer were Marks and Spencer down 1p at 215p, WH Smith A 5p lower at 310p and Storehouse, which slipped 2p

But the fall was not univerthe group's specialist cladding sal. A visit by analysts to the subsidiary, Elemeta, in the last group's new London head-

Greenall Whitley, the diversified brewer, lost half Thursday's gain and fell 4p to 313p. Kleinwort Benson rates Greenall as a buy now that the group's De Vere hotels chain is unlikely to make expensive acquisitions. Kleinwort expects the brewer to make pre-tax profits of £60 million in the year to September, putting the shares on a price/earnings multiple of 9.8.

financial year were likely to be repeated in the current year and could be even bigger. Coupled with the downturn in the construction industry generally, this uncertain factor means that profits for the year are likely to be significantly lower." In the year to December, Conder – a former stock market favourite - increased its profits by 67 per cent to £10.4 million.

The problems stem from cladding contracts at three developments - one in Uxbridge and two in the City, at Broadgate and America Square. At all three developments the cladding is of an

stream of poor economic rose 6p to 159p.

quarters allowed Ratners Group to hold on to Thurday's gain at 244p. The Dunkill luxury goods retailer stood out with a 9p gain to 379p, making a two-day improvement of

21p, while Alexon rose 3p to

416p. John Menzies, the

newsagent, rose 5p to 317p. In the construction sector there was similar two-way traffic. But specialist housebuilders were surprisingly improved despite the Chancellor's warning that interest rates were unlikely to fall soon. Berkeley rose op to 168p, Westbury 3½p to 152½p, Wilson Bowden 6p to 278p, and Wilson Councily 2p to 161p. The more diversified Given the continuing developer Crest Nicholson

As the resilience of the FT economy, it was surprising to 30 index showed, leading international stocks held up reasonably well until Wall Street's weak opening. Hanson, whose cash war chest has prompted much of this week's activity, rose 3p to 233p, as did Hanson's much-tipped target Blue Circle Industries.

> up 3p at 228p. The possible intentions of Sir James Goldsmith, RHM's 29 per cent shareholder, saw the company put on 7p to 289p. But Sir James's former target, BAT Industries, slipped 3p to 693p. ICI eased only 3%p to £11.53, while Glaxo shed 7p to 795p.

> One of the best performers was the Laporte chemical company, which launched a £144 million rights issue on Thursday. The issue appears to have gone down well with analysts, who believe the company's reduced gearing will leave it well placed to exploit opportunities on both sides of the Atlantic. Laporte improved 14p to 525p.

143p, helped on its way down by a sell recommendation from County Natwest. British Gas fell 3½p to 214p, while BP tumbled 9p to 321p. British Airways, on the other hand, climbed 4p to 210p ahead of next week's figures. Elsewhere in the oil and gas

sector, Burmah and Calor, both buoyed on Thursday by hopes that SHV would add to its existing stakes, lost ground. Burmah fell 3p to 595p, while the Calor Group ran back op to 265p. Ultramar, which reported disappointing results this week, fell op to 336p.

**Matthew Bond** 

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# Tokyo doldrums

THE Nikkei index closed 47.88 points, or 0.15 per cent, ● Hong Kong - The Hang lower at 32.013.72. Shares were slightly lower as worries that interest rates may remain high made it hard for the market to shake off the doldrums.

head of equities at Shearson Lehman Hutton Asia Inc. said Prices closed sharply firmer there was a general feeling that the Nikkei has found a ref- buying.

erence point of 32,000 around which to fluctuate. Seng index ended 8.26 up at 2,925.89. Shares ended firmer

after drifting lower and then staging a rebound for technical reasons. Singapore − Mr Tetsuya Fukami, the *Times* industrial index nead of equities at Shearson climbed 23.97 to 1,552.88.

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# FAMILY MONEY

Employers wait for Government to act on retirement age

# Women face longer working lives after pensions ruling

COMPANIES are set to cussions on a new pension age providers want the govern- the employees' final salary as change the age at which men and women retire, to bring them into line, but they want the government to act first and change the state retirement

Any reduction of the male retirement age below 64 would be more expensive for both the state and employers than the current retirement differential, even though women would be required to work beyond 60. It is therefore most likely that women will have to work longer.

The Department of Social Security said it was in disbut it was not working to a specific deadline.

The European Court this week ruled that occupational pension schemes should apply the same retirement benefits to men as they do to women. The case involved a man made redundant at 52, but the pensions industry agrees that it means that in future pen-sions will be equated with pay. Men and women will have to be treated the same even though pensions as such are excluded from the Sex

Discrimination Act.

ment to come to a decision on the state retirement age in the near future, so that they can tie in with it.

They argue it is no use their making pensions at 60 available to male employees, at great cost to themselves, if the men will not get a state pension. Only the privileged few in very good pension schemes can retire at 60 without a state pension as well, said Mr Brian Simmonds of Sun Life.

The vast majority of pension schemes, which guar-Employers and pensions antee to pay a proportion of

pension, have different retirement ages for men and women. Men in these five years early at 60, face drawing a pension reduced by about 30 per cent to take account of five years' less contributions and the payment of the pension for five years' longer.

In the most recent survey of National Association of Pensions Funds' members 43 per cent of those who replied had equalised pension ages already. But members of the NAPF tend to provide the better schemes and those who reply to its annual survey are again likely to be proud of the

benefits they offer. Of those who had equalised the retirement age 43 per cent had opted for 60 and 42 per cent had chosen 65. Those who had chosen 60 had tended to be among the first schemes to offer an equal pension age.

Mr Mike Brown of NAPF said:"The schemes which are equalising now tend to choose 65. This is partly because of pension costs and also because of demographic considerations. Employers want to encourage existing employees

"Even choosing an equal pension age of 64 1/4, which is said to be cost neutral, would be more expensive for employers who had very few female employees."

Mr Simmonds said that approximately 80 per cent of all pension schemes had the state retirement ages. "There is no point in retiring at 60 on a reduced pension if you have got to wait five years for the pension. If men have to spend five years as technically unemployed before they get their state pension it would not be very satisfactory."

He said that if schemes brought in a joint retirement age of 65 it could reduce the cost of pensions. Women would draw pensions for five years less, make five years' more contributions and the money would remain invested for five years longer.

Mr Ron Spill of Legal & General said:"The industry does not want to be faced with a constant stream of cases on pensions equality. We need to change to a way that does not involve any discrimination. It might be possible to safeguard the existing retirement age for women over 40. But such phasing in could still cause problems in the courts in the

He added that widowers' pensions could become obligatory. The provision of a widows' pension of half the husband's pension is common but widowers' pensions are less so, although on average the cost of providing widowers' pensions is a quarter of providing widows pensions.

Company schemes already face having to apply their surpluses to improve the pensions of early leavers and they want to know what the impact of equal retirement is going to be before they use these



# Insurers help on Tubbs

panies including the Prudential are beloing the Securities and Investments Board and the police with inquiries into the investment business done by Mr Antony Tubbs, a former solicitor.

A bankruptcy order against Mr Tubbs was made by the Truro County Court on May 4. He was arrested on May 10. when police removed several boxes of files from his home in Falmouth, Cornwall. He was not charged, but released on police bail pending further inquiries.

Investigations are also believed to have widened to take in a possible connection between Mr Tubbs and two Surrey-based members of Fimbra, the Financial Intermediaries Managers and Bro-

kers Regulatory Association. Mr Tubbs became a tied agent of Allied Dunbar after being struck off as a solicitor for using clients' money and serving a prison sentence. He sold Allied Dunbar products for 10 years until they parted company in December.

The investment group said

references but did not know of his background.

He operated from his home in Bar Road, Helford Passage, Falmouth; an office at Ebury Street, London SWI; and another home in Bramshott, Hampshire.

Since the Financial Services Act came into operation two years ago, tied agents have been authorized only to pass business to the company to which they are tied. Independents, such as Fimbra members, can deal with a variety.

The Plymouth official receiver's office initially listed 22 unsecured creditors owed £215,000 by Mr Tubbs. This has since been revised to 29 creditors owed about £300,000, but the receiver is still trying to establish a final

Mr Tubbs' assets are shown as just £150, including cash in hand, by the statement of affairs filed with the Truro

The largest creditors listed are two women - one in Falmouth owed £67,000 and another in Bideford, Devon.

SIX major insurance com- it had checked Mr Tubbs' owed £50,000. Both refused to comment, though one said she police to discuss the matter. Lloyds Bank is among seven creditors owed £10,000.

At Prudential Holborn, Mr Alan Wren, chief executive, said that following a request from the SIB for information, the group had checked the records of its up-market Vanburgh division back to the early 'eighties and found about 50 clients who had placed business through Mr

We don't know whether what we have is what the clients think we have," said Mr Wren, estimating total investments held at about

A spokesman for Equity & Law said the company was continuing to help the SIB and the police, but did not yet know the scope of its involvement with clients of Mr Tubbs.

At M&G, Mr Tim Miller said his group had no record of being asked for information, or of dealing with Mr

## Leeds drops £½m advertising campaign after tax mistake

By Lindsay Cook

THE Leeds Permanent build- Societies Association's ciring society has had to change a culars on the subject and had £500,000 advertising campaign because it could mislead investors and cause them to fall foul of the Inland Revenue.

The advertisements for the Tax Free Gold account, which there had been no intention to pays interest gross so long as investors do not receive the interest until after April 6, 1991, stated that anyone could have interest paid gross "just so long as the interest earned does not exceed your personal tax allowance in the 1991/2

Investors who signed-up for the account in this belief would have found that tax was deducted after all if they had

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But when telephoned, the society's helpline repeated that interest would be paid gross so long as it did not exceed the allowance. No questions were asked about other earnings, although the Leeds went on to say that a husband and wife could each invest £20,000 without paying

A spokeswoman for the society said the advertisement complied with the Building

been checked by the society's internal compliance compartment.

But later she said that the advertisements were to be changed immediately and that Mr Mark Boleat, director

general of the Building Societies Association, said: "Noone vets building societies' advertisements in advance. We have indicated what we thought was necessary, although we accept there's going to be an awful mess as CRT is

"I don't believe building societies want investors to be misled. There is no advantage

The Inland Revenue will require non-taxpayers to sign declarations that their total earnings are expected to be below the tax allowance limit. These forms are not expected to be available until the end of the year. Those investors who fail to certificate themselves by next April will have to claim back the tax deducted

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for much shorter periods. The accounts, which postpone the interest until next year, are best for smaller investors with no other earnings.

\* An indication of the rush offshore to take advantage of independent taxation was given by the profit and loss statement of Abbey National (Overseas), published this week. In 1989 the Jersey subsidiary made a pre-tax profit of £4.5 million compared with less than £1 million in 1988. The former building society was warned by the Jersey authorities not to advertise its gross-paid accounts

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### FAMILY MONEY

# Low-starts come home to roost

As if high interest rates were not enough, low-start borrowers now face

repaying their enlarged mortgages

rates remain high for some time to come.

I-PA JAMONT

The early low-start mort- second year. gage schemes charge lower increase their repayments to ing the deferred interest.

make up the discounts of He added: "On a £35,000" make up the discounts of He added: "On a £35,000 about £100 a month on a loan that represents a 7 per £50,000 loan, on top of paying cent increase in repayments current high interest rates.

There are various types of low-start mortgage. Some re-coup the shortfall through higher monthly repayments, while others add the money owed to the original mortgage so borrowers are repaying a larger loan than they started out with.

most hardship in the early years but, with salary increases and promotion, they can afford to repay the subsidy a few years' later.

But if pay rises only keep pace with inflation, these borrowers will find it difficult to meet the larger mortgage costs as well as paying higher prices for the rest of their household

employment and marriage gage rate.

breakdown.

Monthly repayments at the

BORROWERS with low-start Mr Rob Skinner, of the mortgages could face repay- Nationwide Anglia building ment difficulties if, as the society, said: "The early Chancellor of the Exchequer schemes had very much a has given warning, interest short-term benefit and borrowers were faced with a hefty rise in payments after the

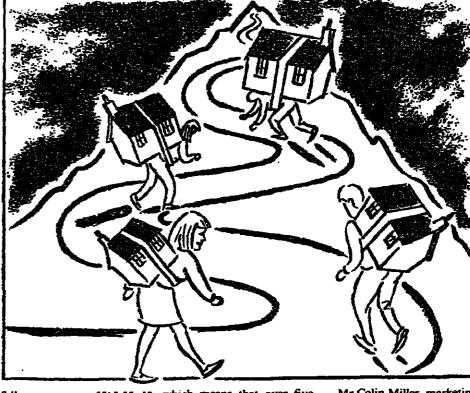
The Nationwide scheme interest for the first two, three cuts interest by 3 per cent or four years, after which the initially but then increases shortfall has to be repaid. The payments gradually over the first homeowners who took next four years. From the fifth this option will soon have to year, borrowers begin repay-

each year, assuming interest rates stay the same.

The Cheshire building society operates a different type of low-start scheme which does not increase the overall debt. Mr Paul Knight, assistant

general manager marketing, said: "On a £48,000 mortgage we would lend 100 per cent The theory behind low-but use the 5 per cent deposit starts is that housebuyers face of £2,400 to reduce the cost in the early years. In the first year we use half, £1,200, to cut payments by £100 a month and then a quarter in each of the next two years. For someone who started this a year ago, their payments would subsidize repayments. now be increasing by £50 a month to take account of

this."
The Halifax first introduced similar low-start mortgage This could intensify an eight years ago. A 5 per cent already worsening arrears deposit is used to subsidize problem. Last year, serious monthly repayments for the arrears rose sharply, with societies blaming high interest £50,000 just moving into year rates for the first time, instead four will have to pay an extra of the traditional causes of £66.67 a month, including a 1 debt problems such as un- per cent increase in the mort-



full rate are now £513.55. If the 5 per cent had been used as a deposit and the customer pays £4,000 less in had borrowed just £47,500, payments would be £483.34 a month. But the repayments are no more expensive than a non-discounted £50,000 Ioan because the borrower's own money has been used to

The Chelsea building society's deferred interest scheme counts repayments in year one by 40 per cent, reducing annually until year five when they are back to 100 per cent. The under-payments are added to the loan outstanding.

For a £60,000 endowment loan, the interest-only pavments in year one are £404, rising by £100 each year, on top of any rise in interest rates. The normal endowment mortgage costs £674 a month,

turers Life, the Canadian in-

surance group, has launched a

policy which pays out if

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which means that over five

repayments.

With a low-start mortgage, this £4,000 is added to the loan for the remainder of the period. Interest is therefore payable on a higher amount. After 25 years, the low-start will have cost £25,000 more.

The Chelsea's new firsttime buyers' scheme cuts the interest rate for new customers by 2 per cent until the end of 1991 and extends the mortgage over 40 years.

But the 2 per cent is deducted from a mortgage rate 0.5 per cent higher than most at 15.9 per cent. On current rates, a Chelsea borrower starting a discounted loan in June will pay higher interest than most society's charge for

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society has introduced a low-

start mortgage with a discount

of 2 per cent in the first year

and I per cent in the second.

At present rates, borrowers

three onwards, when an extra

0.5 per cent is charged over the

basic mortgage rate. Loans start at £15,001 and there is no

Bradford & Bingley build-

ing society has launched an

offshore account which pays

gross interest and regular in-

come. The Maximiser In-

dependent Income account

pays gross interest of 14.25 per

cent on balances between

£5,000 and £250,000. Interest

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Amex offices or banks.

Mr Colin Miller, marketing director of the Morigage Corporation, where the standard mortgage rate is 15.65 per cent, said: "If you could have afforded the standard mortgage at today's interest rates at the outset, then you can probably afford deferred interest after capitalizationbecause the salary increase you need over three years is

quite low. "In the mean time salaries will have gone up on average 8 or 9 per cent a year so theability to service a loan will have increased.

People whose incomes have remained constant may have a problem, but we see this as a scheme for people who have a reasonable expectation of income rising."

**Margaret Dibben** 

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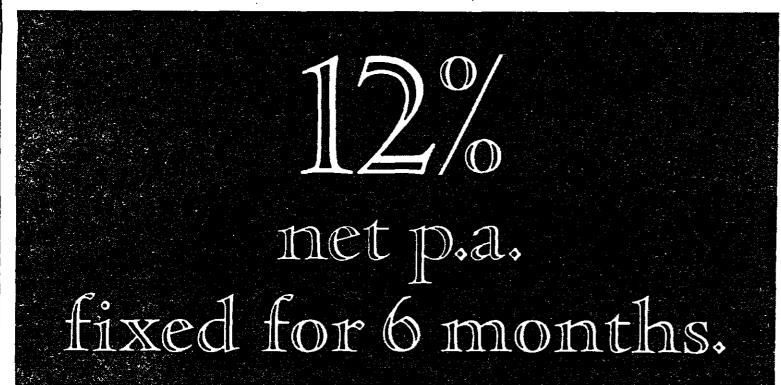
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# SIB report indicts Manx government

by the Isle of Man government that it will make "modest" ex gratia payments to depositors in the collapsed Savings & Investment Bank is unlikely to pacify investors in the Douglas-based bank, which closed its doors in 1982, owing £42 million.

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The trial on fraud charges of eight bank directors and officials was halted a fortnight ago when the judge ruled that there had been undue delay. The Manx government has now proposed an inquiry to look into its own response to the bank's failure.

The inquiry will not examine the conduct of the Manx authorities before the bank closed, but an unpublished report - of which Family Money has seen a copy - does explore exactly this. It reveals

\* The then-Manx government supported SIB at a time when the bank was involved in tax

The government ignored warnings from inside and outside the SIB that it was insolvent,

The report was prepared by a lawyer and two accountants, appointed as inspectors by the Isle of Man High Court at the request of Mr William Dawson, the island's Treasurer.

The inspectors' report has never been published, though the current Manx government has said it does intend to make

An unpublished paper on the conduct of the authorities before the collapse of

an Isle of Man bank in 1982 will

further anger those who lost savings

public eventually. More than 500 pages long, it represents three-and-a-half years'

The report reveals how UK Inland Revenue officials obtained a Manx court order requiring the SIB to disclose

the bank won an appeal against the disclosure orders. The inspectors also found that the quarterly returns appeared simply to have been

"There was no record of any analysis of, or comment upon, those returns, or on SIB's activities generally," the report says.

From mid-1980 onwards, the quarterly returns became incomplete and included fluctuations which, the inspectors say, should have led to enquiries from the Treasury. "We can find no evidence of enquiry being made," they

By February 1981 the bank, according to its own quarterly figures, was actually insolvent. Further figures in August and November confirmed this. Again, no enquiries were

When the inspectors applied for a court order compelling government officials to give evidence, their lawyers told the court that as the bank was in liquidation, the appointment of the inspectors was a nullity: they had no right details of two accounts. But to demand evidence from

> The inspectors comment: "We found this submission, made on behalf of the Treasurer on whose application we had been appointed some two years earlier, startling."

The bank's licence was finally withdrawn on June 25, 1982, when it was apparent that it was unable to meet its obligations, having made massive loans which were not repaid by the borrowers.

The bank's 3,000 or so depositors could not, of course, have monitored the lending of their savings to a succession of companies and individuals. Their reliance was on the regulatory machincry of the Isle of Man government, and the inspectors' report illustrates beyond doubt that such machinery Since 1982 the island has

won back the confidence of domestic and external investors by strengthening its laws and establishing a Financial Supervision Commission headed by Mr Jim Noakes, a former Bank of England of-

and investment industry is now tougher than that on the British mainland, But investors whose funds

were lost when the bank failed are not to be satisfied by any

number of improvements to the system which let them

'Not good enough': Gwendoline Lamb, a depositor

who lost £30,000 when the Isle of Man bank failed

Miss Gwendoline Lamb of Middlesbrough, Cleveland, who lost £30,000, said this week: "They are giving a nod and a wink to depositors. In some respects, Manx saying that we will be given cr supervision of the banking gratia payments, but this is simply not good enough. Anything short of a full refund would be a disgrace

Tony Hetherington

# Property funds slump in value

By Jon Ashworth

INVESTORS in Allied Dunbar property funds saw the value of their holdings plunge this week, following continuing difficulties in the property market.

The group has down-valued its life and property funds by 8 per cent and 9 per cent respectively, wiping millions of pounds off their value. The move affects 100,000 inves-

including contributions from the group's property investment bond. The pension fund

is valued at £455 million. Property funds have been down-valued several times in the past 15 years, but investors were critical of the size of the

Mr Bob Allen, a divisional manager in Allied Dunbar's

present fall.

tors. The Allied Dunbar life finance department, blamed fund is valued at £330 million, the fall on a "fundamental" shift in the property market.

> The life and pension property funds invest mainly in British commercial property. Property funds of other investment groups which specialize in residential property have also proved poor investments, with unitholders unable to obtain their cash for

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# Financial foot in the door

By Lindsay Cook

draft wills in a bid to drum up not been previously agreed business. Others are telephoning people at home to offer. In the case of someone offer- couple's priority to make proadvice on inheritance tax.

Both developments are a sign of the desperately flat housing market and high interest rates which have cut the number of endowment policies being sold and reduced the amount of spare cash available for investment.

The helpful offers are designed as an entrée to new clients and as a way of finding out about their existing assets making a call is not complying wife's recent birthday if they and investments.

Those offering to draft wills gleaned in the process will a life assurance policy. often tell the customers that policies.

The inheritance tax planners will try to sell life assurance to cover any potential tax bill and possibly other

investments. By providing a service first they gain the confidence of the clients and their gratitude.

about some of the schemes which are being used as a way round the cold-calling rules of the Securities and Investments Board and the Life retirement, where he obtained Assurance and Unit Trust

Regulatory Organisation. Under SIB's conduct of earnings, ages and assets and debts,"

should immediately be stated.

ing inheritance tax planning they should mention they may also try to sell life assurance. A SIB spokesman said the rise in the incidence of such cold calling was the result of the shortage of mortgage busi-

ness, which meant that brokers were looking for new openings. "Anyone not identifying what their motives are when

with the rules." One couple were left feeling immediate effect. at a special cheap rate or for they would die debtors, defree may contact the customer spite owning a £200,000 later, and with information house, if they did not take out

telephone call one evening from a broker, who they had never dealt with before, asking if she was aware that inher itance tax starts at £128,000 and that the couple lived in a property worth considerably

more than that. "He asked if he could come and talk to us and I said Regulators are concerned straightaway, 'If you think we

have got a lot of money I have to tell you that we haven't'." The broker did not tell the couple, who are approaching their names from. He took down information about their

BROKERS and other invest- business rules, the purpose of later sent a report of findings ment salesmen are offering to any call or approach that has and recommendations for the

> This stated that it was the vision against a potential liability to inheritance tax of £27,000. This could be resolved by taking out a £30 a month life assurance policy which would be paid on the second death.

The couple were advised they would need to act quickly. The broker could offer them the whole of life plan at the rate applicable before the undertook the policy "with

The report pointed out that married couples' liability to inheritance tax could be reduced by passing part of the The wife said she received a estate to the intended beneficiary, but said it did not recommend it in this case.

Each could leave £128,000 without paying tax, passing their share of the house to

The couple decided not to go ahead with the policy which they would have paid for the rest of their lives. "Inheritance tax is index-

linked and we don't know what liability, if any, we might have. If there's any it can be paid from the sale of the house.

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Berlin: one wall that has opened to foreign investors

# Wall of privacy set to crumble in German firms

By Barbara Ellis

GERMANY could turn out to be as much of a let-down for today's investors as for their grandfathers. Already enough of the Berlin Wall to constitute the Great Wall of China has been sold abroad. mainly to be giftwrapped.

**FAMILY MONEY** 

Mr Ronald and Mrs Nancy Reagan, the former US first family, recently took delivery of a wall chunk measuring one metre by three, while unit trust groups such as Royal London have handed out millimetre-sized morsels to publicize fund launches.

And fund managers launching European smaller companies unit trusts, seemingly every week, appear to be stretching their arguments just

two deferred interest schemes

The first cuts 3 per cent off

the standard rate in the first

three years, which has to be paid off later. This works out

6 per cent discount in the first

year, 4 per cent in the second,

and 1 per cent in the third.

The rate for new borrowers is

tance fee of 1 per cent of the

value of the loan, but this is

deducted from the fee payable

when they switch to a fixed-

The acceptance fee on an

£85,000 mortgage would be

£850 but there are no early

Passport borrowers also pay

a 2 per cent fee if they switch

redemption penalties.

Borrowers pay an accep-

8.9 per cent.

rate loan.

The second scheme, gives a

at 11.9 per cent at present.

ager of Baring German Growth Trust, for example, claimed recently that the new generation of Germans was richer, noisier, more triumphant and more amusing."

Mr Tristan Hillgarth, manager of Framlinton's European smaller companies fund. is a little more blunt. "If Gorbachev goes we have had " he says.

However, Mr Odey and Mr Hillgarth have an investment belief in common. Both profess confidence that Germany's smaller companies will abandon the habits of 200 years - secretive borrowing from banks - and go to their stock market to raise money. This, they claim, will provide buying opportunities for their

But other professional investors point out there are important differences between Germany and Britain or the

US.
"It's not like here where anyone with two pennies to rub together can get a quote and then go bust," says Mr Timothy Plaut, German market analyst with Warburg Securities, who sees more small companies coming to the market, but relatively slowly.

At MM Warburg Brinckmann, Wirtz in Hamburg, Herr Wolf Mendt Merck points out that small companies are not the only ones toprefer privacy.

Names as internationallyknown as Bosch are still offlimits to investors because they are family owned - along with most of the prefitable mail order houses and other large sections of industry.

The only connection between Warburg Hamburg and bottom.

Mr Crispin Odey, the man- Warburg London is that a ger of Baring German nephew of the Hamburg firm's owner founded the London

> As a comparison: while the total market capitalization of companies in Britain is roughly equal to the country's Gross National Product, in Germany it represents only about a quarter of GNP.

Herr Mendt Merck, who manages Brown Shipley's £15 million German unit trust. says that thanks to a new breed of corporate finance manager, German companies are becoming more willing than in the past to seek stock market funding.

But he does not foresee any immediate flood of new issues. Last year, the German market saw 24 new issues. compared with just five in

MM Warburg is forecasting another 23 this year, with a further 22 during 1991 and

Herr Mendt Merck adds that foreigners currently pushing about £1 billion net a month into the German market may find themselves having to buy non-voting preference shares, as owners of companies often use these as a way of raising money without losing control.

Meanwhile, a chart tracking the FAZ (Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung) index and net purchases of German shares by foreigners shows a clear correlation. Ever since 1985, the main peaks and troughs in foreign net buying have practically matched highs and lows in the index. In other words, in Germany

foreigners have done most of their buying at the top and most of their selling at the

# Mortgage aimed at converts

By Jon Ashworth

BEAR Steams Home Loans, one of the new breed of mortgage lenders, has unveiled a scheme which combines the advantages of fixedrate and variable loans.

The Passport mortgage is a variable rate loan that may be converted to a long-term fixed rate loan at any time when offered in the first five years, without early redemption penalties.

Miss Marcia Myerberg, managing director of Bear Stearns Home Loans, said the

mortgage while interest rates wish to cut costs further have This is the first truly

convertible mortgage in the UK," said Miss Myerberg. "We have created what we believe is the ideal product for today's market which is difficult to call."

New borrowers who take out a Passport mortgage will be given first choice on any fixed rate loans launched by Bear Stearns in the next five

The present rate is 14.9 per new scheme was the best cent, including a 0.75 per cent alternative to a fixed rate discount, but borrowers who

#### to a fixed-rate loan. Like the 25-year fixed rate mortgage launched in January, Passport will be sold

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### Lockton directors fend off calls to stand down

By Jon Ashworth

DIRECTORS of Lockton Retail Stores, the troubled retailer, fended off calls for their resignation at a meeting in London this week, and are to dispose of two loss-making invested in the Lockton series

The company, part of a series of Business Expansion Scheme companies sponsored by Guinness Mahon, is selling the assets to Mr David Kosh, its chief executive.

Lockton Retail Stores wrote to shareholders two weeks ago warning that it expects to make a £2.3 million loss in the year to January.

Angry shareholders called for the company to be wound up, but a motion in favour of the disposals - including a vote by Mr Kosh who is the majority shareholder - was

finally carried unanimously. Many of the 800 shareholders in Lockton Retail Stores also invested in Lockton Shops, part of the same BES series, which went into liquidation last week. Many say they only because they were backed by Guinness Mahon and have called on the group to pay

Mr Patrick Moorsom, Guinness Mahon's vice-chairman, has consistently denied any responsibility in the mat-

But Mr Stephen Bantoft, of BES Investment Research. said Guinness Mahon owed a duty of care to investors, whatever their profile. This was particulary important for start-up companies which have no track record, he said.

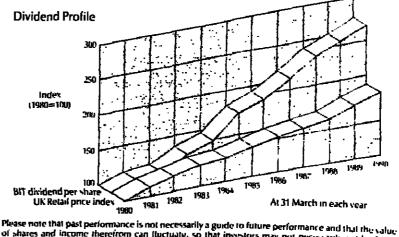
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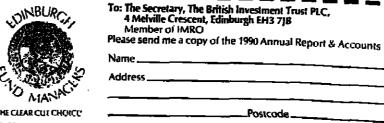


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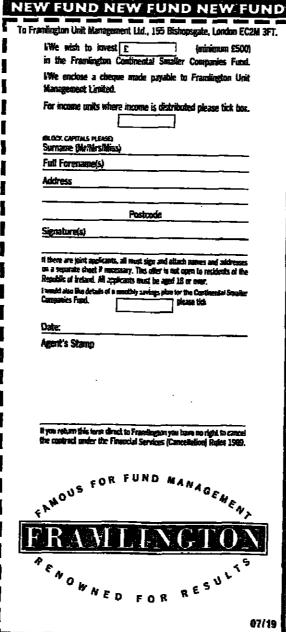
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# Guide to less taxing saving By Lindsay Cook

THIS year about 5 million non-taxpayers were created with the introduction of independent taxation. Housewives, who are not waged, can receive interest on savings and investments up to £3,005 so long as they have no other Just what is taxable and what is not confuses many savers. But help is at hand from National Savings, which this week published its guide to savings for

non-taxpayers. The department is the only major British financial institution which can currently pay interest gross. But from next January building societies and banks will be able to offer Tax-Exempt Special Savings Accounts. These will pay

interest gross and free of tax. In April composite rate tax will be scrapped enabling non-taxpayers to receive interest gross after the beginning of the 1991/2 financial year.

Offshore accounts have also multiplied and accounts which do not pay interest until next year are being sold strongly. It is, therefore, important for savers to know whether they can take advantage of the new regime or if their money should stay put in a savings account with interest being deducted.

Non-taxable income includes most scholarships, local authority student grants, most legally-binding maintenance payments, the proceeds of qualifying life policies, annuities paid to holders of certain gallantry awards and dividend income from personal equity plans.

The guide, giving full details, is available from the Sales Information Unit, Bonds and Stock Office, Government Buildings, Lytham St Annes FYO 1YN or telephone 0800 868700.

# When dearly-departed leaves the bills unpaid

THE problem of what to do if a close relative dies in debt, without making a will, has been posed by two Family Money readers. In both cases the banks involved have frozen the little money there is and other creditors are asking

"Are we responsible for the debts?" both ask, and wonder what they should do.

The advice from a leading firm of London solicitors is to do very little or they could end up with bills from proessionals that they will have

to pay.
In the first case a sister died in France owing rent to her landlord and with bills of £300 outstanding on her Barclaycard and National Westminster Access card.

In the second, an aunt, aged 87, died in sheltered accommodation owing rent and one or two other small bills. Although she died on March 31 the local water board is pursuing her water rates bill

Both the relatives wanted to know if there was a strict order a for the debts to be paid when there was a small shortfall or whether all creditors lose a

proportion of what they are Mr Hugh Hamilton of Lawrence Graham, the solicitors, -said that only the deceased and their personal represible for debts. In the case of

... the latter the debts would be ~met out of the estate. "If you have an insolvent estate usually the creditors apply for a grant of letters of ... administration. It is taken out

of the next of kin's hands. "So it follows if there are no assets and liability of £300 the Lindsay Cook finds that where there's

no will, it's important to know the way to handle debts left by the deceased

Banks all deal with the

accounts of deceased cus-

tomers differently, but it is

proposed that a standard

banking code of practice

At the National West-

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said it was fairly rare for there

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everything the deceased owned should go towards

paying the debts. "The clothes should not be sent to Oxfam but be sold to pay the debt. Any small keepsakes should be declared to the creditors and the relative should offer to pay for

He advised any relative in this situation to inform the creditors straightaway and to leave it to them to apply for letters of administration. Local authorities, for example, can apply for a grant of letters of administration if a community charge bill has not

been paid. Relatives should write to all the creditors and show all the assets and liabilities and invite them to share what money

"If they were to go to a solicitor a grant of probate would cost them £300.

"Anvone in this situation should write to the creditors and say there is insufficient to pay all liablities and explain what there is to be shared.

"It is dangerous to get 100 involved. If in any doubt they should go carefully and not intermeddle," said Mr

Even if a will were left appointing the relative as executor there is no duty to deal with an estate which is insolvent, he added.

"You can get a will involving a property worth £500,000 and find a capital gains tax relative is not liable but bill, and other debts, and out making a will we would advise the relative to seek legal advice." she added.

One of the relatives said: "It is very difficult to know what to do when various people are demanding money. There is an electricity bill for £80 and a telephone bill for a similar rapidly find there is nothing in the estate although a bill for many thousands has been

"When I contacted NatWest about the Access account they wanted the name of the solicitor dealing with the estate and I haven't got procedure be adopted in the

> "Lots of people live a little bit overdrawn so there must be as many relatives dealing with a shortfall upon death as there are inheriting expensive properties and wondering how to invest the money.

"We don't want to do anything wrong but we don't necessarily want to pay off the bills ourselves."

"We would listen to the People can help their relstory and be looking for a fair atives by keeping a list of their assets with other family docuand equitable settlement. Funeral expenses must be paid ments, so that these can be first and then preferential readily compared with any creditors. After them come the outstanding bills.

If a relative is unsure about whether they have located all the creditors they should advertise locally and this cost can be met by the estate, said

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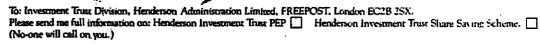
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#### Item debited from account without a mandate

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On checking through it I found that an insurance company had charged me, via direct debit, the sum of £78 which I had not authorised. A telephone call to the bank confirmed that no mandate existed for this charge and the

bank agreed to re-credit my account with the sum.

Not only has this cost me a lengthy telephone call, a lot of noyance and the interest on £78 for one month, it calls into question the desirability of the direct debit system as a nor-mal method of payment. Surely it should not be possible for a bank to make a payment without a mandate. nor for a company to make a

too would be frozen.

As usual when dealing with such institutions it behoves the customer to have sharp eyes and a suspicious mind! Yours faithfully,

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From CM Kingsmill Sir, Lindsay Cook gave advice from several sources on what a reader with maturing National Savings Certificates should do with the money. I am sure the reader concerned has been attracted by certificates because he knows precisely where he stands in say five years time and income is

Sir, The introduction of quarterly dividend payments is adding to the expenses of properly constituted charitable trusts. It would be cost effective if all equity investments held by charitable trusts could receive dividend income gross rather than net, saving the trustees the problem of reclaiming the appropriate tax credit. This would save expenses to all parties including the Revenue.

This need is now more apparent since a small number of prominent UK companies such as British Petroleum and SmithKline Beecham, who recently reported their results, have decided recently to pay quarterly rather than halfyearly dividends.

This exacerbates the problem, for it affects the trusts' cash flow, especially if tax credits are not claimed upon receipt. However in so doing. once a trustee instructs their accountant or lawyer to claim the deducted tax credit, the trust incurs its professional advisers fees. On the other hand, a charitable trust can invest in "gilts" and apply to have the stock registered so that the trust receives payment of a gross rather than a

obviously of secondary importance. The ideal solution is low interest short dated gilts. He will know in x-years how much his capital will have grown and will in the meantime receive a relatively low income, and no capital gains tax to pay.

Yours faithfully, C. M. KINGSMILL 17 Redbridge Lane West, London El I.

Quarterly payouts hit charitable trusts net dividend at source. Why From Mr Alan Diamond should equities be treated

> What I believe is required, is an amendment to the Finance Bill so that registered charities, who return annual audited accounts, would receive all future dividend payments gross. This is possible in the United States where charities can so "file".

Members of Parliament should be instrumental in seeking to overcome any possible opposition from the inland Revenue. For if charities receive all dividend payments gross they can hasten their charitable distributions without incurring additional financial penalties whilst keeping their costs to a minimum. To leave the reclaiming of tax credit in abeyance until the end of the financial year would not be acting with due diligence. Yours faithfully. ALAN DIAMOND.

Regent's Park, London NW1. Readers' letters for publication are welcome but The Times regrets it cannot give individual replies or advice.

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#### Popular charge for foreign exchange From Miss C. M. Hill

Sir, Mr A. F. Taylor's experience in Tenerife (Family

Money, May 5) prompts me to add my happier one during a short period spent recently in the area of the Val de Loire and Vallée du Loir. The helpful assistant in the Credit Lyonnais in Blois warned me that the commission charged was 24 francs, so I left to try elsewhere. The Banque Nationale de Paris charges 30 francs. The Banque Populaire did not charge commission at all, and had a slightly higher exchange rate. This held also in another branch elsewhere. So try the B.P. first, if possible. It seems to deserve its name.

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Stroud and Swindon favoured over C&G in building society merger

The decision that split a village

Narrow victory in the battle for Frome Selwood is not the end of the fight. A report by Jon Ashworth

embers of the tiny Frome Selwood building society have given warning that they will withdraw their savings in protest after plans to merge with the Stroud and Swindon Society were narrowly approved this week.

The 14,600 Frome members will receive à 2 per cent bonus on the value of theirsavings once the merger goes through on July L.

But the decision to mergehas upset many members who had favoured a rival bid from the Cheltenham & Gloucester Building Society. The C&G had tried to tempt savers with the prospect of a 3 per cent bonus as well as an attractive discount on mortgages. And it had set aside £360,000 for the Frome directors, including £81,000 for Mr Roy Walwin, the chairman.

The merger debate has di-vided local residents and left the sleepy Somerset town basking in an unprecedented level of publicity. Many of the 200 members who attended Thursday's meeting, held in the local cinema, were more concerned about how much money they could make than whether or not the society could keep its local identity. Before the meeting, many members gave warning that they would withdraw their savings if the decision to merge with the Stroud and Swindon was approved. They planned to wait until the bonus payments had been made before taking their funds

lived in Frome for 14 years, counted, 76.2 per cent voted said he hoped Frome Selwood would not lose its character. "It is a nice friendly society.



We know the people and you 98 per cent of voters have directors stood to make be-can talk to them. Mr Bruno given their approval. tween £64,900 and £26,000 Selar, who has £50,000 with the society, said he was unhappy with the voting procedure. "This way, you only have one chance it's yes or no and it's not democratic." Mr Jeremy Cross, a local councillor who voted against the merger, said the society was over techniques." well managed and well run and should remain so. "I feel honourable but misguided. I

believe you have to go for the best financial offer in the interest of members." The decision to proceed with the merger was finally approved by a narrow margin. To proceed, 75 per cent of voting members had to vote in Mr Don Fletcher, who has favour. 'After proxies were

'Mr Walwin said he was delighted with the outcome, adding "It is very satisfying to prove it is still possible to agree a merger on fair and traditional terms to the benefit sort of thing goes on; but we're of all members without votes not prepared to be bought." being influenced by City takehe outcome of the

Earlier, he had accused the C&G of trying to "buy" the support of Frome directors. Attacking what he called "the unacceptable face of building societyism," he said £359,576 had been offered by the C&G in salary and pension entitle-ments. "We were not prepared to accept these inducements."

Mr Walwin said he had been offered £52,240 in retirement benefits. After serving for the motion — in stark on a regional board for three contrast to other building years, the package would have society mergers, where up to been worth £80,972. Other any Frome member who had

each if the C&C bid was accepted. Mr Walwin said the final bill would have been paid for by the Frome members. adding "We accept that this

meeting largely depended on the 2,500 proxy votes received from members. Mr Trevor Morris, who led a group of members protesting against the merger, said several had been sent the wrong proxy forms by mistake. Forms sent by Frome and the Strond and Swindon to their own menbers looked very similar. But Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, which distributed the forms. said no mistakes had been made. It was pointed out that

received a Strond & Swindon proxy form by mistake would have had enough time to

correct the error.

Mr Morris asked the board whether their salaries had tripled in three years. Mr Walwin said this was "quite possible" since their work had tripled in the same period. He told members they would be better off under the Stroud and Swindon plans, since higher savings rates would more than compensate for a lower cash bonus.

He said: "The mood in the meeting was definitely against the board. If only those present had voted, the outcome could have been very

different."
The vote count revealed 1,632 savers in favour of the month, remained unclear vesmerger and 508 against. Of the 373 borrowers who voted, 293, 78.5 per sent, voted in been approved, but is thought favour. Mr Morras said he was to have been accused of prepared to take the matter of supporting the C&G offer.

spoilt proxy forms up with the Building Societies' Com-mission. The vote was so close that even a handful of incorrect proxies could have tipped the balance, he said.

Mr Richard Payne, the Stroud and Swindon's chief executive, said: "The Frome members have shown that they wish to remain with the local society, pursuing local policies from local branches operated by local employees."

I It had been feared that a merger with the C&G would lead to job losses, even though the financial rewards would have been high to begin with.

The fate of Mr Jim Marshall. Frome's chief executive. who was suspended last terday. He was due to step down once the merger had Best deal may be societies' wisest option

By Lindsay Cook, Family Money Editor

the Frome Selwood Permanent Building Society is to merge with the Stroud and directors will have to be sure society movement a lesson.

they will in future have to recommend the best deal.

To achieve a merger, any society has to win 75 per cent of the votes cast. In Frome, where there are about 8,500 woing members; the society had the support of 76.2 per cent of the investors who voted. If fewer than 20 members had voted differently there could have been an historic and humiliating

The confirmation hearing takes place at the Building Societies' Commission on June 19 and the protestors are set to prove voting irregularities.

No other society would be wise to risk such a close call. The Frome members are lucky they will get their 2 per cent and may win a further bonus if the Stroud and Swindon in turn becomes the target of a larger society. The campaign against the merger was waged purely on the grounds of the cash bonuses.

The conversion of the Abbey National from a building society to a bank set members of other building societies on the trail of windfall gains. The Abbey's gift of 100 free shares was expected to spell the end of ordinary society mergers. Then last November, the C&G announced its plans to Building Society and paid an average £520 to investors. Bonuses are now the order of the day. Even the savers of the troubled Peckham Building Society are to receive 0.75 per cent next month.

There are a number of small societies who have chief executives nearing retirement age whose directors must realize they do not have a future on their own. Several of them will be in talks with other societies. Too small to interest banks. insurance groups and foreign

AFTER weeks of acrimony, companies, their future lies in

Swindon Building Society, but of securing the best deal for the opposing members have members. They will look to taught the rest of the building the Frome debacle and want to avoid a similar battle. If If they do not want to be they have two offers and want embroiled in a messy battle to merge with the society over ownership, and risk hav- making the lower one they will ing their recommendation have to persuade it to improve voted out by the members, its offer. Or if there is a feature of the better offer which they do not feel able to accept, such as job losses, they will have to negotiate so that they can recommend the best offer.

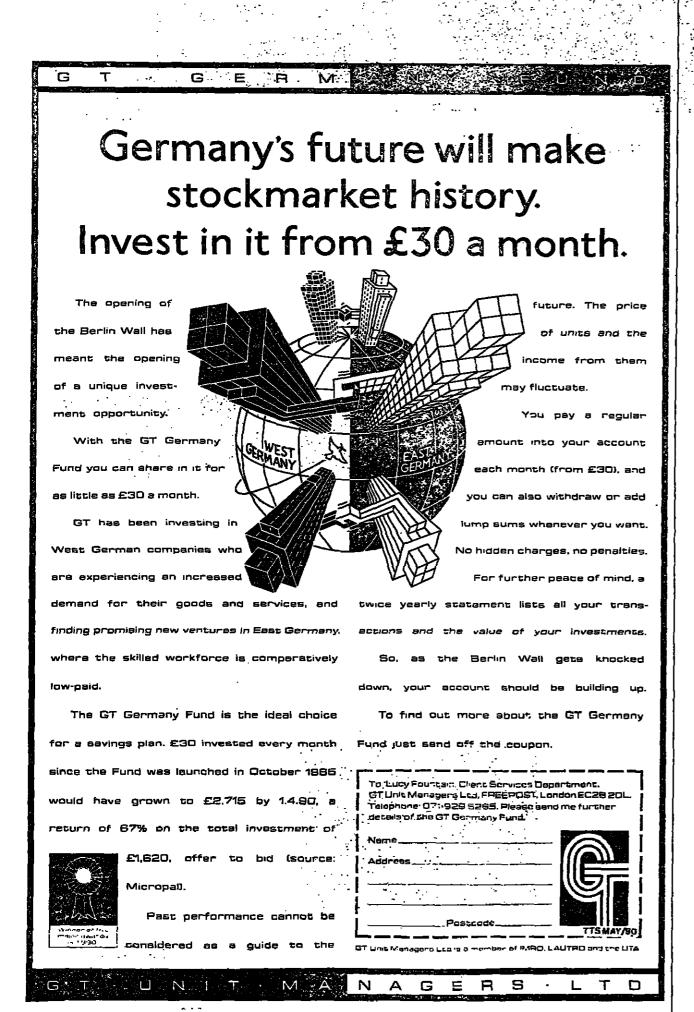
The C&G is committed to accepting the best offer for its members, whoever it comes from. Mr Andrew Longhurst, its chief executive, said: "I still believe that when directors are putting a proposition to members, the most significant point is the amount of cash it will put in the members pockets and wallets. Suppose the C&G decides, for the sake of argument, that it wants to do a deal with the Prudential, but Sun Life has made a better offer. We would always go for the better deal."

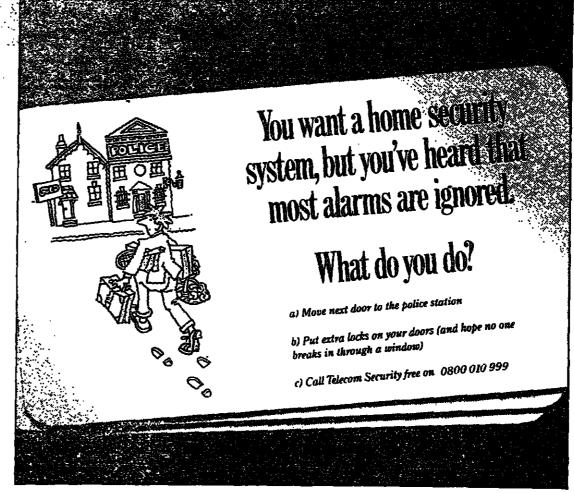
The narrow backing for the Frome board means insurance companies, and others wanting to buy building societies. will have to pay all the reserves to the members, if not more, to be certain that their offer will not be bettered.

Dr John Wriglesworth, of UBS Phillips & Drew, predicts that a company will announce it is taking over a building society this year. There are many firms on the lookout. but they know the first to accept a bid will face similar problems to those of Abbey.

Members of societies with the highest reserve asset ratios might try to release some money in bonus form. Societies like the cash-rich National Counties, with a reserve asset ratio in excess of 20 per cent, could be requisitioned by 50 members, who each put up £10 to pay a bonus to its members. So long as the group of 50 got all the legal requirements right, they could cause a motion to be put to members.

In the meantime, a number of building societies are in talks about mergers and takeovers and all are keen to have





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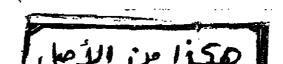
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# Passions that run backstage at Oberammergau



ewife Virgin: Elisabeth Petre was chosen after fears of court action by local feminists

anging on wooden pegs behind the door of Christ's dressingroom were two crowns of thorns. It was impossible to look at them without being overcome by both awe and an almost biasphemous sense of the ludicrous; two feelings which constantly surprise the visitor to Oberammergau.

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The crowns looked as though it would have been easy to prick a finger on the thorns: they evoked the violence of the old story with a physicality which was shocking At the same time, I knew that the crowns were only stage props, with no more authenticity than the 14 pewter cups stacked on a shelf nearby, ready for the Last Supper, or the assorted palm branches piled up in a basket in the corridor, or Pharaoh's throne, parked like a limousine beside the stage door. There was a comic incongruity about the solemn concreteness of these relics, and about the whole highly organized

On the shelves of the village's innumerable woodcarvers' shops, painted Virgins ranked elbow to elbow, with weirdly polytheistic effect, waiting like geishas to be carried off in thousands by the pilgrims who will visit Oberammergau this summer, during which the villagers will fulfil the vow made by their ancestors during a plague in 1633 to put on a Passion Play every 10 years until the end of time.

But, unlike the carved host of Marys, the two crowns of thorns were not identical. One was a plaited circlet of real thorns, woven by someone with fingers which must have been both leathery and deft; the other was a glass fibre coronet with thick, blunt thorns, which would never prick a finger but may well "read" more dramatically from the back of the stalls in the open-air theatre in which the Passion will be enacted 94 times this summer before audiences of 5,000.

The two crowns represent the old and the new. The prickly one is a reverently preserved relic (this is Catholic territory, after all) from an earlier production. It faithfully reproduces the instrument of torture and derision depicted in innumerable devotional prints and paintings. It expresses a sturdy traditional literalism. The other crown, for use this summer, may be less authentic, but the young director, 28-year-old Chris-tian Stückl, hopes that it will carry its message more effectively. Village conservatives would rather see thorns represent thorns.

Arguments over stage props are only some of the bitter quarrels which have surrounded Herr Strickl since he was chosen as director by the village council three years ago. For decades the play has been a focus for personal and religious squabbling, on a local and even an international

scale. In post-war years, it has come under regular attack for its portrayal of the Jews. Diplomatic revisions of text and stage business have now taken some, though not all, of the sting out of this issue. But this year's battles

have still broken friendships, divided families, and brought a storm of abusive letters upon the village. Several prominent players have withdrawn from the cast in protest against the new regime, and a shed with farm equipment worth £10,000 inside, belonging to one of the leading figures in the dispute, was destroyed by fire.

If there are any villagers who are not fierce partisans on one side or the other (which is unlikely), they must be fear-

For the first time in centuries a married woman will play the Virgin Mary, but the reformers' victory

has left a village divided, reports George Hill



Director: Christian Stückl

ful that the tumult may affect the future of the spectacle, which is Oberammergan's source of world fame and chief money-spinner. But the signs are that, as yet, the world's pilgrims are unperturbed by the scandals: when the show opens on Monday the whole run of the production will already have been sold out months in

The focus of this year's dissension epitomizes the way symbols tend to trip over the literal, and the transcendent tends to rub shoulders with the everyday. Crudely, the question has been whether the Virgin ought to be played by a virgin.
In Catholic Bavaria, the virgin-

ity of Christ's mother is not to be considered lightly. For at least 120 years, the community has imposed a rule that the actress who plays Mary, and all the other women acting in the play, should be unmarried, and under 35. In the past, this effectively guaranteed the virtue of the leading lady, though it often meant in practice that she was visibly 10 or 20 years younger than her Son.

More recently, the guarantee has become something of a mock-

ery. Women hoping to play a leading role have lived in sin for years, and even had illegitimate children, so as not to forfeit their entitlement. In some ways, it is a tale of bucolic goings-on reminiscent of Britten's Albert Herring.

The dispute is about concepts of purity, about the social roles of men and women, and about hard cash. Inhabitants who meet the stiff residential qualifications (broadly, to be born in the village

or to have lived there for 20 years) have a right to take part in the play. Over a season, even the humblest extra who shouts "Hosanna" in the crowd is paid about £2,300 for theoretical loss of carnings, while leading members of the cast receive up to £11,000. The restrictions on marriage and age saved the municipality from having to pay as many as 1,000 otherwise eligible citizens.
"This is a holy, money-making

village," one long-term resident told me. "Some of the older members of the cast put on a great air of piety, but for most of the younger members it is not so much a religious event as a source of excitement. The quarrels are part of the atmosphere. What you see on stage is very holy, but behind the scenes, things go on that are not so holy. There is not actually a bordello here, but you can find most other kinds of sin if you look you can even buy In 1988, a group of Oberam-

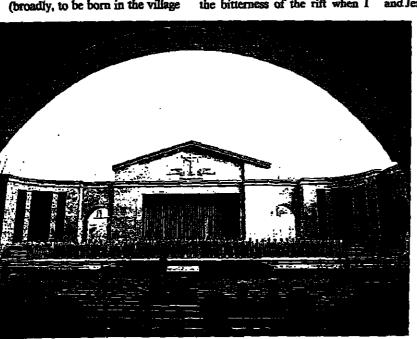
mergau feminists went to the Constitutional Court in Munich over the ban on married women. invoking equal rights legislation dating from 1927. The names of the major players were announced at a village ceremony. When the names of the two actresses to represent Mary were chalked up on a blackboard (all major parts in the play are doubled, to reduce stress and jealousy), the reformers were surprised and delighted to see the name of Elisabeth Petre.

Frau Petre is 37 years old and married, with two sons aged eight and five. The selection committee had decided to jump before it was pushed by the court (which has since ruled in favour of the feminists). It was a major victory for Herr Stuckl, who had lobbied hard for Fran Petre, and had begged her to be a candidate.

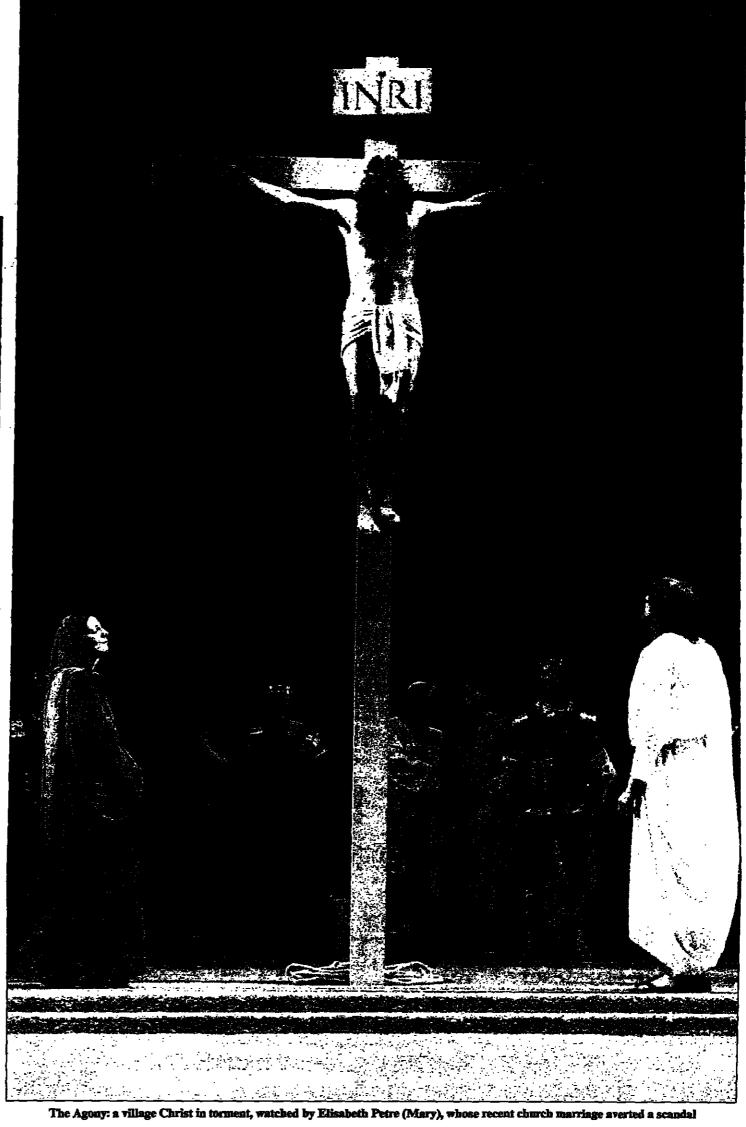
She had been reluctant at first to repeat the bruising experiences she had gone through in the storm over a controversial experimental production in 1977, in which she had played Mary. She had been offered the part again in 1980, but had refused it because she was out of sympathy with the conservative faction then in the ascendent.

Apart from her role in past clashes, she was equivocally placed because to an extent she was married, but to an extent she was not. She is Catholic, but her Romanian husband, Alexandru, is of the Russian Orthodox faith. The Catholic authorities would not bless the union, so the two had married in a civil ceremony. Only weeks before the opening night, the parish priest agreed to mini-mize possible scandal over a Virgin who was married, unmarried and a mother, and allowed a church wedding, co-celebrated with an Orthodox priest behind locked doors in the village's onion-steepled rococo church.

There was little outward sign of the bitterness of the rift when I



Theatre of Passion: this summer it will be thronged with visitors



canny hush lay over the place as it awaited the imminent influx of visitors. The village is a pretty, prosperous, tourist place, with colourful frescos on the walls of its old houses, fields full of cowslips, and dark crags looming above. For every grocer's or ironmonger's shop, there must be three hotels and at least five woodcarvers' shops.

The place is like one of those cactus plants which produce one unique bloom every 10 years, and are rather prickly objects for the other nine.

The visitor can never forget that this is not as other villages are, because of the beards. The actors despise the artifice of spirit gum and greasepaint, so they spend the years between productions nurs-ing beards of biblical majesty. Imagine all the best beards you

have ever heard of those of Charles Darwin, Bernard Shaw, Karl Marx, Father Christmas; they are all to be seen alive and hxuriant at Oberammergan. In a place so eminently respectable, they introduce disorientating overtones of Woodstock and Cardboard City. Jesus lopes around in jeans and headband, St Peter is a bank clerk.

A surrealistic running interplay exists between events and relationships in Oberammergau today and Jerusalem 2000 years ago. The Virgin Mary is married to

a carpenter, a Romanian who made his own "Flight into Egypt" from tyranny 14 years ago. They live in a wide-caved chalet with frilled lace curtains in a lane called Am Kreuzweg ("The Way of the Cross"). The Vir-gin's sister-in-law is the wife of Judas (not the Judas who is the director's father, but the Judas who was Christ last time round). Christ's mother (a completely different person from the Virgin Mary, you understand) is one of the feminist heroines who took the issue to court. She told me the story with the fire of battle in her eyes, and proudly showed me a portrait of her son in costume, wearing his Continued overleaf

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e had better start with the BBC. The corporation has opened its new Written Archive Centre at Caversham Park near Reading. In the Domesday Book, Caversham's 2,400 acres were valued at £20, property of the first Earl of Buckingham, a cousin of the Conqueror. Warwick made kings there, Elizabeth slept and Charles I was imprisoned. The BBC paid an inflationary £47,000 for it in 1941. It was its monitoring station during the war, and now it eavesdrops on

130 countries daily.

Only a few treasures were on display in the new archive house but they were riveting, especially early applications for auditions. Vanessa Redgrave, aged 151/2, wrote offering herself as an actor on Uncle Mac's recommendation along with my brother Corin who is 12½...my father has given us some coaching. At school she had played "Mole in Toad of Toad Hall and St Joan". The snag was that "my brother (he can do American)" would be going to "public school in the autumn and therefore only available in holi-days". Kathleen Ferrier applied in 1941. Back in 1934 Peter N.L. Pears asked if he could be heard for "the Wireless Singers". Guy Burgess pleaded that "Major Blunt" be allowed to talk about "the preservation of art treasures in countries occupied by British and American forces...he can be got through me". I pored over the J.B. Priestley exhibits. Early in his broadcasting career, he was reported to be "beastly to work with, un-accommodating, unpunctual, ego-tistical, puts everyone's back up, not

NOW for the social whirl. There was a "Taste of the Nineties Luncheon" at Claridges to celebrate Scottish salmon. Somehow, "the King of freshwater fish" failed to rise in two pedestrian recipes souffléd with a spinach coulis or baked, smothered by a warm vinaigrette. "It wasn't the wine," murmured Mr Snodgrass in a broken voice (in Pickwick Papers). "It was the salmon." I am with Mr

worth it". He has his heirs.

Then there was Sunday's wake for Peter Langan who would have been 49. Langan's was stuffed with survivors - George Best, Henry Cooper, both Ronnies, Bob Hoskins. Ben Kingsley and all. Keith Waterhouse suggested two minutes' hubbub, pulling girls screaming under tables, instead of the more usual two minutes' silence. He was not heeded. Langan already has two biographers. Brian Sewell's book was on display. Christopher Wilson,

"the official biographer", said Sewell had declined to assist him as he was being paid. He wondered if Sewell was accepting royalties? He didn't know (few did, did you?) that Langan's house was filmed by Loyd Grossman for Through the Keyhole a few days before his death and so was never used - macabre footage for a TV obituary? The journalist Mike Molloy thought it would have been the party to set the new decade if only Jeffrey Archer had been there. Molloy was in Grantchester for the Archer bash after his ultrafragrant libel case. Curious to find out what happened in a folly at the bottom of the garden, he and Clive James peered in. There, unattended, was a word processor spookily tapping out an Archer novel.

At Cliveden, to which I haven't been since Alan Brien had a cottage there in Keeler days, we launched the Ackerman/Martell Food and Hotel Guide. Lunch was a good deal jollier than the weekend Bob Boothby and Harold Nicolson spent there in November 1930. Boothby recorded a "glass of white wine was all you got . . . the Oswald Mosleys brought a petrol tin to my room. It was filled with martini." Nicolson added: "After dinner to enliven the party Lady Astor dons a Victorian hat and a pair of false teeth. It does not enliven the party."

TOMORROW the South Bank Centre hosts a day of music inside, outside, up and down the foyers, on boats. It climaxes with a Simon Rattle gala, all to raise cash for Aids relief and support. They asked me to do a programme note about brunch — there is a brunch/cabaret at noon. I have always assumed that brunch was an American invention - maybe it is; but there is a reference to it in Punch back in August 1896. "To be fashionable nowadays we must 'brunch', truly an excellent portmanteau word introduced last year by Mr Guy Beringer in the now defunct Hunters Weekly, and in-dicating a combined breakfast and lunch." The next year the West-minster Gazette escalated the word into verse: "Perish scrambling breakfast, formal lunch!/Hardened night birds fondly cherish/all the subtle charms of brunch."

NEW plays have been sprouting as fast as last month's new plays have been shedding their audiences and Richard Harris, a late bloomer, still to burst into flower at Wyndhams. Lothar Bluteau has two more incandescent weeks at the Vaudeville. At the Lyric Michael Redington, the producer of Vanilla, uncharacteristically missed an opening night promotion trick. His



party was in the stalls bar, while 100 yards away in Leicester Square Haagen-Dazs opened an all-icecream restaurant that very afternoon. At the Phoenix I saw the penultimate preview of Peter Hall's company in The Wild Duck. Sir Peter has said that their long provincial tour proved the old adage that Ibsen isn't box office. I supposed the West End previews would tell a different story. "No," he replied gloomily, "now we'reproving it in the West End." It is a stirring, if not super-starry, cast, and will surely pick up.

Peter's guest was Maria St Just. Lady St Just is Tennessee Williams's literary executor and Concorded off to America the next day to promote her fascinating edition of Tennessee's letters to her. Gore Vidal had asked her what happened to her letters to Tennessee. She said he seemed not to have kept them. "That's Tennessee!" said Gore. "So

SO MUCH reader collaboration this week! We must close the Shakespearian "knock-knocks" too many Toby or not Tobys, too many triple Tamaras, too many Leon Macduffs: but spare a chuckle for Jane Farrell's "Ida." "Ida who?" "Ida rather be a dog and obey the moon than such a Roman." Frank Courtney's "Tis one." "Tis one what?" "Tis one thing to be tempted, Escalus, another thing to fall." And Robert Simmond's "Otis." "Oh, 'tis foul in here."

Some weeks ago I asked for candidates for "bottom-rung-of-theladder" pathos. Doug McVittie writes from France to recall a bedraggled visiting Essex under-12 football team from last year. They were playing in the annual twintown contest. Their captain led his ramshackle urchins to the trophy table before the match and pointed to the smallest prize - the booby saying, proudly: "That's the one we're going to win."

Brian and Mert, collected this one. "How many TV executives does it take to change a lightbulb?"

PETER McKAY

# If I were...

f I were John Selwyn Gummer, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, I would feel this morning like a mugging victim who is hauled to his feet by police and accused of contributing to the wave of violent crime. Farmers, I would have to accept, now have me in mind when they construct scarecrows even though I am accused of being in their pockets. The manure mafia has attacked me over my opposition to grain cartels, poison food compensations, new stubbleburning laws, and my lack of appreciation for what the NFU president Sir Simon Gourlay calls "the looming farm crisis". It was almost a relief to be called "the patron saint of fishmongers" by the Daily Mirror, if only they had not spoilt it by adding that I was "the Corporal Jones of a Dad's Army Cabinet."

In politics it is always better to be Minister For Something People Do Not Have An Opinion About, like foreign affairs. Being Minister for Agriculture is to invite a daily barrage of conflicting advice and insults.



#### John Selwyn Gummer

Even my triumphs sound silly. "Gummer Claims Victory on Fish Quotas" is the most positive headline I have attracted in the past year. If I may quote George Crabbe from The Parish Register. "Our farmers round, well pleased with constant gain/Like other farmers flourish and complain."

There are few things more basic than eating (yes. but they come under Health or Environment). Now I stand in the dock charged with foisting mad cow meat on the public. As always in this job, there is no lack of advice which really boils down to one simple request. Sack myself, and my ministry. Set up a new Ministry of Food designed to make our victuals producers toe the health line. Goodbye to fuddy-duddy old rebates, grants, kickbacks, bribes, set-asides and all of the other laborious procedures which have characterized the venal relationship between the Government and British farmers since the last war. Say hello to a brave, abrasive new era in which the Government will cast Old MacDonald adrift on the capitalist sea, guided only by a massive list of dos and don'ts. As if I - or the Government, totally supported by the Opposition could achieve such a thing overnight.

hankfully, I am not given to panic. As a muscular Christian who has attacked the handholding fraternity in the Church of England, I have had to endure more than my share of abuse. I have been accused by Peter Bottomley - now in Northern Ireland, best place for him - of being attracted to language that grabs headlines, which is rather like being called careless with money by Ken

Rows about food - as with public hoo-has on every other topic - exhaust themselves finally. Even the most indignant voter realizes in time that we all share responsibility for the things we eat. For years, the overriding objective of agriculture in this country was to make us as self-sufficient as possible in food. To do that, we had to stuff animals, birds and soil with additives. This was accepted as the price we paid for cheap, home-grown snap. If it is a price we are no longer prepared to pay, so be it. But please don't blame John Selwyn Gummer for inventing this suddenly unpopular world, or of being in cahoots with the farmers - especially when they are throwing dead cows

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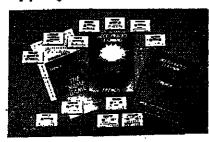
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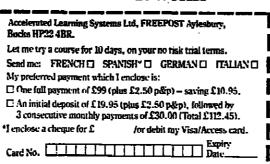
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#### I thought I'd seen the back of lightbulb jokes but Andrew Nickolds, who has been working with two American writers from Cheers,

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"Does it have to be a lightbulb?"

# Oberammergau: spiritual drama

Continued from previous page crown of thorns. As soon as I entered the theatre, which stands rather gloomily on the edge of the village, I recognized the atmosphere. Anyone who has ever been centuries, it has changed from involved in a school play or a purely local act of devotion amateur dramatics in the to an international media church hall would have felt at event. There can be few home at once. A throng of extras, all aglow with excite- wholly shaped by a single ment, carrying beautifully activity. Directly or indirectly, laundered Israelite rags on coat-hangers, were mobbing a butter of most families. It is gangling, boyish young man, the theme of local politics, for whose lank, dark hair was elections to the town council gathered in a ponytail. He regularly turn wore no beard (an unconven- on disputes tional touch here), and was about the patiently fending off their play (the clamour with rueful cheer- council is the

This was Herr Stückl, the thority in all director. He reminded me of one of those curates, or junior schoolteachers, who has been put in charge of drama by his wiser and lazier elders, and is finding rather to his surprise drama on that he is enjoying every moment of it.

There can be an emotional intensity about amateur the-atre which the professional stage seldom equals. With a cast of more than 1,000 - not counting sheep, doves and the donkey which carries Christ into Jerusalem — this is amateur dramatics on an epic

In fact, Herr Stückl would scarcely be where he is without his share of drive and personal ambition. Though born in the village, he spent a out of 10, our hotels are halfyear working in a theatre in Munich as part of his apprenticeship for his present job, and hopes to return to the ofessional stage if he makes for a holiday? his name here. He is concerned to play down the rift in the community, and insists that the main hostility to Frau Petre's appointment had come not from the village, but from religious opponents in other not based on current Church parts of Germany and else-

where, even from London. There are these feelings, but we do not share them," he told me. "It is the idea of the Church that Mary was a virgin and got a baby from God in a way that we do not undergirl who played Mary. My stand, but it is a certainty that the baby came out in the special wish is that all the natural way. Even in the actors really believe in what teaching of the Church, she they are playing. If they do, it was a virgin and also a mother. With a natural is of lower importance whether they are married or not." woman you can only present about the play was a different one of those two aspects."

the village's destiny ever was concerned that it might since. It stopped the plague become almost a rival to the Church. "I am eager that the overnight, and since then it has become Oberammergau's Church does not get beside the play; that people do not take main occupation. Over the their religious feelings out in the play rather than the Church, because after 90 performances they will not be communities anywhere so standing up there with glowing bearts any more. One will need to rebuild spirituality carefully afterwards." the play is the bread and He painted a picture of a

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WEST GERMANY AUSTRIA

There was open hostility here in the village, and it was awful'

and sevens. ammergau's Between reneck. As one disgruntled vil-lager put it to me: "Nine years bearsals, Frau Petre had been organizing a collection of clothes for Romania, and she empty, and the play is to had hastily tidied away the blame. Our image is as pious boxes to receive me, in a as that of Lourdes - and parlour lined with books, with who'd want to go to Lourdes dried flowers hanging from the rafters and a heap of soft

The official voice of the toys in the corner. Catholic Church in the village She has a high-cheekboned, is Dr Franz Dietl, the parish distinguished face, and very priest who conducted Frau expressive hands and wrists. I asked her whether she saw the Petre's belated marriage ceremony. The virginity rule was controversy as a religious or practical one. She giggled and ducked her head, so that her doctrine, he told me. "For everybody outside Oberbeautiful dark hair fell across ammergau, I think the rule her face: "It was because came to seem rather odd, and practically nobody was a vir-I suggested that they let it gin any more", she said. lapse. In former times, a Then, more seriously, she higher degree of symbolism was seen in the position of the

added that she was sure the main reason for opposition had been religious. It was not true that hostility to her appointment had come only from fanatics outside the village. "There was open hostility here, and it was awful. I can still feel who are my friends and who are my enemies."

The vow of 1633 has shaped and more unexpected one. He With more modesty than probability, she suggested that Herr Stückl had picked her because she was an older woman who might pass as the mother of a 30-year-old. "I really didn't run after the job. My husband asked me to do it. and so did Herr Stückl, but-I was very doubtful. However, J think the rule did have to be changed; somebody had to go through this. I didn't want special rights for myself, but I did want the women who had been left out to get a chance."

She dropped her eyes humbly, the line of her neck saying eloquently: "Behold, the handmaid of the Lord". She was such an accomplished and instinctive actress that I asked whether, like Herr Stückl, she had considered going on the professional stage.

She seemed puzzled for a moment, as if she could not see the connection. Then she replied with a distinction that exists in the German language, but not in English. The word for a professional actor, she said, was Schauspieler. It denoted a skill, an ability to assume a role and put it down like a mask. But someone who played at Oberammergau was a Darsteller, a "self-actor".

"This play is not a show, and I'm not a star," she said. "Here you have to be more honest in the way you act. You bring up what is in you: Perhaps there is a greater identification with the person one plays.

Suddenly I felt I understood why it had seemed so important to some villagers to have a virgin playing the Virgin. As for the task Fran Petre was preparing herself to take on, it suddenly seemed a truly awesome one. And f realized with delight that the two German words expressed exactly what I had often felt about the truth that there can be in amateur acting, which the professional stage with all its tricks can hardly equal.

She was growing weary, and her two saucer-eyed little boys were getting fidgety. It must be tiring to live in a community so concentrated on a single continuing project, I said "It doesn't make things easy. There is more to quarret about. But it is a constructive stress. It creates sensibility in people. If you go to Unterammergan, just down the road, you can feel the difference at once. It's . . . just a place."

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A CHILDHOOD: SIR PETER HALL

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the shop to buy an expensive pen like a Montblanc (their Meisterstück, issued this month, costs from £340) to improve their handwriting, Eliott Lockhart usually suggests that they start with a cheaper Pelikan pen which encloses a booklet showing the strokes, and go away and practise.

Most professional calligraphers and handwriting enthusiasts belong to the Society for Italic Handwriting. which on Tuesday meets for its annual meeting and to hear an address from its new gives me enormous pleasure." recommended art exhibitions

I asked to hear Mozart's Requiem. I was terribly

'When I was 10

precocious' by Ray Connolly

ir Peter Hall's parents could not have given him more than they did. Workmg-class people, they believed the way ahead was through education. They encouraged their only son to excel. The first book Sir Peter remembers in the home was a collected works of Dickens, in tiny print, obtained by his father, on his behalf, by saving coupons in the News Chronicle. He still has the book.

But in encouraging him they created a huge gulf, — which was not properly bridged until the last years of my father's life.

"It was terribly sad because they were wonderful people. I used to ask my mother why they didn't have any more children and she'd say: 'We can't do for two what we can do for one"."

But the more they did for him the greater the gap became. "I am very much of the Richard Hoggart generation. The working class boy
— elementary school, grammar
school and university — who finds himself absolutely separated from his parents and his family. The Uses of Literacy struck me like a

"It wasn't so much a class gap as an education gap between us. They were terribly proud of how far they had come and of where they thought I might go, although of course they were terribly wor-ried at first, dead worried."

The result was that he felt an outsider, not only in his family because of his education, but also an outsider in where he was trying to arrive, at school and at university.

The most celebrated English stage director, having run the Royal Shakespeare Company and then the National Theatre, he now has his own company. His production of Ibsen's The Wild Duck has just opened at the Phoenix Theatre.

He was born in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, in 1930. His mother liked to say she was "in business", but she was really an assistant in a draper's shop. His father was a goods clerk on the tailway, who had been to grammar school on a scholarship and "bettered himself. He was the first person in my family to get any

The ambition was quickly passed on to his son. "He was a very wise, very calm man, but totally unambitious. He didn't want to get on. I think all my mother's thwarted ambitions about my father and herself were poured into me.

"My father's father had been a rat catcher on the Sandringham estate. This used to fascinate me, but my mother would always say: 'He wasn't a rat catcher, he was a vermin exterminator.' Isn't it wonderful? It makes me cry to think of it.

"They only died a year and a half ago, within a few days of each other, but they never once went in an aeroplane, nor even abroad. They could have done. My father got free travel with the railways after the war. They could have got on a train and gone to Paris but they never did. They just didn't want to."

Right from the start they gave their son the best they knew, with a private kindergarten education from five until eight. "My father only earned about £3 a week but somehow they found the money for this, and for piano lessons, which were sixpence a week. My musical education probably came before anything else, in fact.

"My father was with the Bury St Edmunds Amateur Operatic Society, and because I had quite an easy aptitude for learning to play I used to accompany him from quite early on."

He was, he suspects, a hideously precocious child, due in part to the fact that for a long time he was the only one in a large extended family of aunts, uncles and grandparents. Never expected to do any work around the house ("I grew up to believe that was women's work"), he was always encouraged to read or listen to music. In his bedroom he would have an electric fire, his radio and his books. He always read "omnivorously".

When Sir Peter was between the ages of five and nine his father was station master at Barham, a remote Suffolk spot on a single line with just five trains a day. They had no gas, electricity or running water, and only an out-side lavatory. He loved it. "I learnt about the woods and birds and flowers from an old gamekeener called Charlie Kent on the Duke of Grafton's estate."

Years later this early fascination with rural life would lead him to make the film Akenfield.

Just before the outbreak of war the family moved to Cambridge, which he considers one of the greatest pieces of good fortune in his life. "It was very significant



Sir Peter Hall and (below) as a child: "My grandfather was a rat catcher on the Sandringham estate. But my mother would always call him 'a vermin exterminator'."

because I had the war years in Cambridge, and so many things were evacuated from London and happened there. I remember I saw The Marriage of Figuro in the. week of my tenth birthday. I know it was that week because on my birthday I heard Mozart's Re-

quiem in King's College Chapel."
Whose idea was that? "I asked if I could go. That's why I think I was terribly precocious."

He was now attending an elementary school but won a scholarship to Perse School, Cambridge. Although he was already growing away from his parents he felt an outsider at school, too. The minor scholarship boys had their fees paid by the local authority, and while all the other boys would have shiny new books bought by their fathers, the minor scholar-ship boys would have old dogeared hand-me-downs with "minor scholar book" stamped all over them. He remembers this

with absolute fury.

He was doing well, but there were always days of anxiety that he would not get over the next hurdle - the scholarship to the grammar school, the school certificate, the higher certificate and a scholarship to Cambridge. Of course he did. He passed everything, always, played Hamlet and even became head boy. And somewhere along the line his Suffolk accent gradually, uninten-

tionally, disappeared. His theatrical education had begun at four, when he had been taken to see Robinson Crusoe at the Playhouse, Bury St Edmunds, He can still remember the

eading the Daily Tele-

expectation and the lights.

There was a great deal of theatre in Cambridge in the war years ("I saw Gielgud's Hamlet in 1942, standing at the back in the Arts Theatre"). Sometimes his parents would go with him, but they really only liked it because he did.

When he reached his teens there would be school parties to Stratford and, able to make use of his father's free travel on the railways (the facility extended to employees' families), he went up to London regularly to stay with an aunt in Lewisham, going to the theatre, matiness and evenings, for four or five days in a row. He would do odd jobs - fruit picking and paper rounds - to earn the ticket money. He has, he thinks, seen everything worth seeing on the London stage since 1943.



on. I know I read Stanislavsky at an indecently early age. "The greatest blessing I've had in life is to know what I wanted to

Before university there was national service. At 18 he finished playing Hamlet in the school production one Friday night, and arrived at RAF West Kirby on the Monday morning, aiming at the education corps which he thought

The air force had nothing to be said for it at all. It was, he says, full of the most horrible, appalling, terrible people, and where fascism education training centre did have the advantage of being just four miles from Stratford-upon-Avon. Take the 6.30 bus from the depot down to the theatre, and you could walk in in those days. I can still recite the cast list of every production from the summer of

"It was still possible to see things terribly cheaply in those days. My equivalent today couldn't see what I saw. "I don't know where the idea to become a director came from ~ how does a child know what a director does? - but I knew much Shakespeare as I could." someone made it all happen. And I wanted to do that from very early

do, and then to find that the world would let me do it."

was the best skive and which might not be a total waste of time.

After a year as an acting sergeant teaching economics and business management at a demobilization centre in Germany (although he had only done economics as a subsidiary subject at school),

where he played piano duets and directed his first play (strangely, he cannot remember its title), he returned to Cambridge, to St Catharine's College and his degree in English. "It was my best subject, but I also wanted to get as

He was now engaged to a pilot officer in the WRAF, and for a year his master plan to become a director went awry. This was good for his degree and he got a first at the end of his first year. In the second year the theatre won, the engagement was broken off, he acted a lot and got a second. In his final year he directed five productions and ended up with a third.

"Had there been a fourth year I'd have failed. But university gives you those three precious years to find out what you want to do. It isn't about qualifications."

Directing came to him with an almost physical sense of knowing he was doing the right thing. "Like ,a duck taking to water. I just knew what to do. The only times I've I've been thinking: 'Now what ought I to do?"

"One of the great things about Cambridge in those days was that the national Press came to your productions. By the time I had finished I'd had Uncle Vanya and Love's Labours Lost favourably reviewed in the national Press. When I got my degree I did a season at the Cambridge Festival and was asked to take Pirandello's Henry IV for a formight to the Arts Theatre in London, where it got more Press,"

The day after it opened he was telephoned by Windsor Rep who asked him to do a play there. Two weeks after leaving Cambridge he was directing professionally. The good luck continued. Given an assistant's job at the Arts, between directing at various reps around the south of England, he was suddenly left in charge. One of his first productions was a play by a writer be had never heard of. It

was called Waiting For Godot.
"It was sent round to me by Donald Albery who said he couldn't get anyone who wanted to put it on or who wanted to be in it. I read it straight through and decided immediately. I can't pretend I knew what it was about, but I didn't worry about that. I just found it terribly surprising, very funny and very moving. A new form of play."

Godot received a mixed reception ("there was muttering and murmuring all the way through the first night"), but it alerted others to his presence. Tennessee Williams called and told him he would like him to do his plays in London (Sir Peter has just finished filming his Broadway production of Williams's Orpheus Descending), and a call came from Stratford. Since the age of 15, his ambition had been to run Strauford.

He did not realize it at the time, but he was incredibly lucky. As though it were not enough to be given a theatre at the age of 24, he had also been sent the right play. And, of course, had he been a different animal, he might have turned that play down.

#### Geraldine Ranson on writing as an art

### In a fair hand

IF anyone had told our grandpresident, Humphrey Lyttelton, who has chosen as his topic "Living with Pen and Processor". As word procesmothers that the day would come when able-bodied, educated women would pay good sors came into common use. money for other people to he noted that italic writing sets write their invitations, they would have scarcely believed it. Yet today hostesses will pay became standard stock in most branches of W.H. Smith. 60p a word and more to a calli-Humphrey Lyttelton regrapher who writes their place members writing lines in copperplate as a punishment cards and invitations, and woe at his prep. school in Sunningdale. He inherited his betide anyone foolish enough to make use of the convelove of calligraphy from his nience of computer labels on father, George, a house master the envelopes. at Eton. After his parents'

"I need my calligrapher more than I need my secretary," says Deborah Bennett, a marketing and communications expert. She frequently gives image-building parties for her clients where the invitation is the first signal. When it is beautifully bandwritten people understand immediately that the occasion is very special and they respond."

Alastair Eliott Lockhart of ren. Today his daughter. Fiona Greenwood, is a pro-The Walton Street Stationery fessional calligrapher. She also Company, who will write for teaches. "The trouble is that his customers under protest. charges £60 per hour. "I once most teachers are not taught how to teach handwriting. eyen wrote a thank-you letter Most of them are not even for a girl after a weekend confident about their own. house party. A wedding in-Most of her pupils are adult vitation takes 15 minutes and seeking to learn to write a of course it is repetitive and legible, pleasing script. An boring. I won't do more than hour's coaching makes a big difference, Mrs Greenwood

eight typefaces, including that used for many street names in Britain, never uses a typewriter in his workshops. He also claims that bills written in his wife's beautiful hand get paid very much more quickly. Humphrey Lyttchon adds: "I turn my quarterly returns into a wonderful exercise in calligraphy. I don't know if it impresses the VAT man but it

believes, and three sessions

can help an adult to create a

David Kindersley, the

stone cutter and inventor of

new and personal style.

Reading the spage last week. I could not but grieve for the way the world dwindles daily for the humorist. An epidemic of jocularity is sweeping the country. We are all Mad Cows now. The trouble is not that there is nothing to laugh at but that there is everything to laugh at Jokes are fast running out, for a joke must transform real life in some perverse way, and real life has begun to perform the same operation perfectly professionally upon itself. The book review that

caught my eye was of The Oxford Book of Canadian Military Anecdotes. Now, the ever-increasing duliness and oddity of Oxford books is an old favourite among humor-ists, who are always trying to death, their son inherited his father's desk with all his pens think up new and hilariously and his bulletins from the tedious Oxford Book of ... Society For Italic Handuitles. The real-life Oxford writing. Sir Patrick Nairne, Chan-Book of Death set us back a cellor of Essex University and bit, but The Oxford Book of a former Master of St Cath-Canadian Military Anecdotes erine's College, Oxford, who has dealt us a blow from which lists calligraphy among his hobbies, instilled a love of it will be hard to recover. Already there are reports from the North that up to 10 handwriting into his six childhumorous jobs have been lost. and a joke factory is to close.

But the joke in the Telegraph did not end with the title. I was wondering why the Telegraph's literary editor, usually a very sensible fellow (as those of us who have books out this year will all agree), should have granted such a lot of space to such an obviously boring book. I then noticed the by-line. It was "Conrad Black", who is, well, blow me down, the Canadian proprietor of The Daily Telegraph. So, not only was this a firstclass joke about OUP books, it was also a first-class joke about newspaper proprietors, and not a joke-monger in

Esoteric art exhibitions with wacky titles are another simple way for a humorist to raise a laugh. But there seems to be no point any more in going to all that trouble, because real life continues to win hands down. In The Times's list of

# CRAIG BROWN

# Now here's a funny thing

this week, there was one at the the past couple of years, the Design Museum titled "Sardine Tin Labels from Norway", on until June 17.

Wednesday, it was announced that the new Stephen Sondheim musical would be called Assassins. Leading characters would include Lee Harvey Oswald and Sirhan Sirhan, and there would be a final chorus in which the assassins turn to the audience singing: "We've done our bit — now it's your turn." Just as I was adding this to the claim by the editor of The Times Literary Supplement in last week's Spectator that there had once been a musical about the Kray brothers, I read of yet another musical, called The Death of Klinghoffer, about the wheelchair-bound tourist who was murdered by terrorists on the Achille Lauro in

From time to time in these pages, I like to parody the memoirs of politicians, highlighting their conceit. their pomposity, their simple delight in themselves. Over

job has become abominably hard, for each politician seem: far more adept at parodying And so it goes on: on himself than I could ever hope to be. Who could capture the complacency of Callaghan better than he does himself, in this sentence from his memoirs, summing up his feelings on the outcome of the disastrous 1979 General Election? "It demonstrated how much steady understanding and support existed for what we had tried to do." And who could better parody the idea of Christmas at the Benns than Tony Benn, in this extract from his diaries for Sunday December 26, 1976? "Caroline gave each of us a copy of the Communist Manifesto in our stockings, published in English in Russia, and she gave Josh a book called Marx for Beginners and gave Hilary Isaac Deutscher's three-volume biography of Trotsky."

Though Graham Greene only came second in a New Statesman weekend competition for parodies of Graham Greene, I suspect he was



trying too hard. He should have sent in the first paragraph of The Honrary Consult Doctor Eduardo Plarr stood in the small port of Parana, among the rails and yellow cranes, watching where a horizontal plume of smoke stretched over the Chaco... It was an evening which, by some mysterious combination of failing light and the smell of an unrecognized plant, brings back to some men the sense of childhood and of future hope and to others the sense of something which has been lost and nearly forgotten."

Similarly, a Ruth Rendell first paragraph competition would undoubtedly be won by Ruth Rendell: "It was the first dead body he had ever seen ... Something unpleasant had happened to her face; it was swollen and a greyish-blue colour, and her eyes protruded under strained. shiny eyelids" (Master of the Moor).

And no one can quite capture the full pedantry of the final, nit-picking lines of an Anthony Powell review quite so well as Anthony Powell: "The note on p.90 should read Lady Diana Bridgeman, not Bradford; the Princesse de Caraman-Chimay on p.430, the same as she on p.559, was née Hennessy, not Hamilton: the dog that acted in La Dolce Vita belonged to Irish Tree, not Mrs Taffy Rodd." There are already

murmurings in the joke-mills of a national strike by humorists. We will down exclamation-marks until the world pulls its socks up and acts seriously once more. But the situation is looking bleak. News just in confirms that Radio 1 disc-jockey Mike Read, prevented by the Betjeman estate from putting on a musical called England's Teddy Bear about Sir John Betjeman, will be presenting a new musical about Rupert Brooke in the West End this autumn. Already, massed lines of humorists are gathering at Beachy Head, ready to



# to the elderly

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# Great staircase, shame about the bathrooms



rooms are ter-rible," said the woman with the red suit and matching mo-

bile phone. She was talking about our bathrooms. She had invited herself in from the street, placed her calling card by the door and taken a little tour.

"Nice house," she smiled.
"French eclectic — which means that bits of it are French," she explained with a second, flashier smile. "But the bathrooms ...

they're the wrong bits."
Her card claimed that she was a "million dollar" realtor. Her lips proclaimed that she was "pricing up a local property for a client". We probably should have shown her the door. She could have been a female Raffles, sizing up our christening silver for a heist. But then we would never have known what she felt about our fat chromium "faucets" (or taps, as we lamely insisted on calling them); nor her view of our handbasins, which we discovered were called "lavatories". And we would not have known the name of our real lavatories: "Flushmasters! Wonderful pull, as long as they work," she summed up with a sigh, before treading gingerly over the dulled black-and-white tiles towards the bedroom door, out down the wrought-iron staircase ("a good bit of France") to the safety of her baby BMW.

Without her we might also not have learnt a useful fact about the place in which we had come to live: that there are two types of houses in Washington - those that people like to live in, and those that realtors like to sell. Sometimes the two categories overlap — but only rarely, when the city sits on the edge of a recession and even America's most ultra-mobile people prefer to batten down their hatches and stay put.

Our house has had only two previous owners in 60 years. It is a very comfortable family house. 1926 was a good year for jazz, General Strikes and, in our view, for French Eclectic architecture in the Chevy Chase district. But it

was a bad year for bathrooms. Indeed, the only good year for bathrooms, it transpires, is this year. Lavatories and faucets keep builders in business. And in 1990 when the US capital feels an economic draught from falling defence budgets, rising interest rates and a nasty sense that it is no longer the centre of the free world

- the pressure on the chrome-andgold pipework is rising.

The action is not so much now in the old areas of town, but some five miles further out of the city, towards Baltimore. The heart of the new selling-fields is called Potomac - a smart local name for a place which is as ill-defined and expandable as a marketing man could desire, and which developers are convinced can be made as chic as old Georgetown.

Potomac's "tract mansions", as they are called, sit on minimumsized two-acre plots which only a year or two ago were part of the Maryland countryside. They are generically described as "classics", and have names like The Manor and The Hampstead. They feel very close packed together. That may be because of their vast size; also, perhaps, because of the American "builder's acre", a portion which, unlike the baker's dozen, is less than it ought to be. There are no nearby shops or schools, and the roads are narrow.

But buyers are said to like the mixture of exclusivity and famili-arity which these "neighbourhoods" bring. To those who are persuaded to pay up to \$5 million for them, the tract mansions are the latest statement of "arrival". To the car-drivers on the clogged arterial highway, they are massive idols to look upon and dream. And to those who have to spend any time in them, they are, at least, marvellous places to wash.



One of the choicest currently on sale is at 10704 Riverwood Drive. Here, according

to a brochure from two of Washington's bestknown builders, is "a world of romance in which a paradox of spacious intimacy prevails". The main bedroom suite alone has 14 separate rooms.

The master bath, in a word, is sumptuous," the would-be buyer is told. And, in case a single word is not enough, there are a few more. "The bath is warmed to the foot with radiant heat floors and bejewelled with dazzling polished

faucetry.
"Watch the firelight dancing in the reflection of champagne chilled from the wet bar tucked discreetly against the wall," the builders urge. "Gaze at falling stars from the second-storey balcony, or contemplate a midnight swim in the tranquil pool below."

Champagne is to be served in the double "Brun Fleuri" Jacuzzi. This large, cream marble bath is the only part of the suite designated for joint his-and-her use. The rest is precisely marked out for sexual privacy. He has a green marble shower that two Franciscan priests could comfortably inhabit - if they could bear the sense of living in a giant after-shave carton. She has a "vanity" big enough to make up the entire cast of A Chorus Line. Both have clothes cupboards that would satify Mrs Marcos - even he is anticipated to be the possessor of a

hundred pairs of shoes. There is something wonderfully sincere about the way in which our guiding realtor (not the "mil-lionaire club" lady, but Mr Oliver Cowan, the nation's "Number One") reveals the bathrooms of Riverwood. He has already shown us the 60st entertainment hall which we all suspect will be more wanted than used. We have seen the Caledonia Granite kitchen, with its Jennair state-of-the-art oven beside Barely Gray beaded Rutt cabinetry - and we all know in our hearts that it will one day be occupied by a tin-opening, pizzadelivery-dialling couple with a Spanish-speaking staff who would much prefer an Aga.

We have seen the "butler's office", with the desk where the cook is supposed to sit to write up the daily menus and pay the grocery bills for the non-existent local shop. Let us hope she has watched some old episodes of Upstairs Downstairs. We have toured the cherry-panelled "library" and seen its shelf space for barely 40 books.

But, by the Jacuzzi upstairs, between the church-style window and the warmed marble floors, there is a sex-and-champagne fantasy in which Mr Cowan is truly confident. "You only come this way once, so why not do it right?" he insists, as his mobile phone bleeps for the thirtieth time that hour. His urging is not wholly without urgency. Mr Cowan is something of a Washington classic himself - an elegant black salesman who has graduated from vacuum cleaners to multi-million dollar houses by working 16 hours a day, seven days a week

on Riverwood. Any hopes that we (finally shamed by our faucets?) or our friends (fresh with new funds from England) might be able to buy a house there later this year were apparently slim. But, accord-

one of Washington's biggest realtor groups, "anything over \$450,000 is slow". The price of 10704 Riverwood Drive is \$2.2 million. Mr Cowan admits that business is tough, but says that the "Number One" still managed to make four deals last week. He is still confidently "self-employed, single and happy". If big sales get fewer, he can always concentrate for a while on cheaper houses.



The big worry among Washington real-estate investors is that they may have built on a field or two too

far. Before the Second World War, the US capital was a sleepy southern town in which the French Eclectic fanciers of Chevy Chase lived about as far out as any civilized person would wish to go. Chevy Chase Village, a tiny enclave with its own local police force, its private ambulance service and restrictive environmental legislation, was the same sort of ambitious speculation at the beginning of the century as Potomac is today. But the New Deal, the war, big government and then the cold war ensured its success. There came a massive expansion, far beyond even the beltway road which marks off the psychological limits of the city.

As the inner areas decayed, the outer ring took on a new, independent life of its own. Some of the biggest-grossing shopping mails in the world were suddenly in places like Potomac Mills, which had barely existed a few years before. It was a pattern for America. Fourteen million people today com-mute from suburbs to cities; 27 million from suburb to suburb.

The question for the builders of Potomac is whether their fields of mansions will be left as highpriced detritus if the tide of the city's development begins to turn. For without the social cachet of a desirable address, these domestic architectural monsters are useless. Unlike many large English houses which time and fashion forgot, they are not even fit to be children's homes, or dormitories for the down-and-out.

Many would like to see them ploughed back into the land. Perhaps generations to come willfind their remains, as we find the remains of Roman towns, and know their inhabitants by the



### COLLECTING

# Cards up the earth's sleeve

Alastair Guild on how the rainforests will benefit from a pack of cards

most distinguished artists and design. If it is cleverly done it designers were recently in- is difficult to pick out the vited to create a design for a' suits." "transformation" playing card rainforests and animals. Next Wednesday their original artwork goes under the hammer at Bonhams as part of Friends of the Earth's tradition were US colour Rainforest Festival, and later the designs will be produced as the designs will be produced as packs of cards for sale.

assignment," says Nicola Bay-ley, an illustrator of children's books, who has also painted watercolours for other environmental and children's charities. She designed the six of diamonds, based on the pattern of her kitchen floor.

For Sir Hugh Casson, the difficulty was in choosing a design for the two of diamonds that would "put across an appropriate, arresting message and, at the same time, look good hanging on a wall. A letter is always an excitement, and if it comes from a romantic place and looks as though it has been through hell on the way, that adds to the attractiveness of the message. I found an old envelope from my school days, sent from Papua New Guinea, so I could copy the postmark and the stamp. Papua new Guinea also seemed apt, as one of the world's most mouth wide open in the shape threatened areas." The en- of a diamond, sits in a ravaged velope incorporates a "Frag- environment, trees dying all

"The ones I like the most are those closest to the true spirit of transformation Card Auction, Bonhams, cards," says John Berry, editor of Playing Card World, one of SW7, Wednesday May 23 at two publications of the International Playing Card Society, the auction and other Rainand an expert on the subject. forest Festival events phone "The suit signs, or pips, are Arts of the Earth (071-490 where they should be, and 4670/490 5210)

FIFTY-eight of the country's incorporated into the overall

The first complete pack of lished by Cotta in Germany in 1804, and is now available in facsimile. "The last transformation cards in the great century," Mr Berry says, "One "It was a fiendishly difficult. of these packs recently fetched about £5,000 in a private sale. Most of those who have tried to follow the idea this century have allowed the pips to be displaced or distorted."

> One of John Berry's favourites in the latest pack is the eight of clubs, by Jan Pienkowski, incorporating exotic birds on top of the suit sign. Similarly, John Jensen has adapted the nine of spades to look like a fish.

Simon Drew was dealt one of the toughest briefs, the 10 of clubs. He transformed the suit signs into ducks' heads and frogs. Gordon Beningfield has represented diamond shapes by spaces between butterflies, while Peter Cross drew hearts in the shape of the open mouths of forest natives, chimpanzees and tigers.

But John Berry's favourite is the ace of diamonds, by Lucy Willis. A vulture chick, ile" sticker, and its seals are around, while its parents the diamond shapes. hover overhead, vainly look-

Transformation Playing Montpelier Street, London 6pm. For further details about

### **MUSEUMS**

# Digging for victory

At Norwich they have an unfair

advantage, as John Shaw reports

rchaeology is meat and drink to museums, and Curators will travel hundreds of miles with sharp appetites to add some new morsel of knowledge to their archives or collections.

But Francis Cheetham is probably the only museum director in the country with a major dig right on his office doorstep, at Norwich Castle. His window overlooks the massive Castle Mall project, one of the most extensive in Europe, on the site of what was originally the outer bailey of the Norman fortress, with a settlement beyond. With less than half of the dig

completed, discoveries, mostly of pottery fragments, have already shown the town's strong economic links with the Continent in the century or so after the Norman conquest. with pieces from Germany, France and the Netherlands coming to the surface.

Mr Cheetham has spent 27 years at the museum, and is now close to retiring. "There used to be a much more inward-looking attitude in public museums than there is nowadays," he says. "I think the change is wholly good. We should respond to the public and be seen responding. We should be concerned with what is going on around us, and not as concerned with

internal matters." As director of the county

CHINESE PAVILION: 12-sided, painted canvas portable summer house, the only one of its kind, now the centrapiece of a garden exhibition. The Duke of Montagu probably used it for taking tea in the summer at his Tharnes-side house. The Museum of London, London Wall, EC2 (071-600 3699). Tues-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm. Admission free until August 12. HORSEY: The horse in pots



· History on the doorstep: Francis Cheetham at the dig in front of Norwich Castle

museum service he is responsible for 17 different institutions in Norfolk, a wealthy rural shire on the verge of great economic expansion, But as people flood in with demands for more houses and better roads, its archaeological sites are threatened.

Mr Cheetham is not letting them go without a fight. The county has developed what he believes is a unique response, with an aerial landscape survey covering everything from prehistoric remains to 18thcentury ruins, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of local flying clubs. The earliest contributions to the survey are Second World War photographs taken by the RAF, Over the years Cheetham's department has amassed an archive of 21,500 photographs, in which patterns on the ground and crop marks have revealed the existence of

from the reserve collection.

Stoke on Trent Museum and Art Gallery, Bethesda Street, Hanley (0782 202173). Mon-

Sat 10.30am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm.

Admission free, until July 15.

STEAMING: See stationary engines working all day tomorrow, plus a chance to

meet "Harriet", "Sylvie" and big "John". Museum of Lincolnshire Life.

numerous historic sites. "If the sites identified in this way are under threat from developers we would hope to excavate, because when they are built on they are going to be lost," he says. Mr Cheetham is currently

presiding over two new projects. He is opening up the prisoners' tunnel from the court-house to the cells - for some, the last walk of their lives, as public executions were carried out on the forecourt up to 1846. Less gruesome is the creation of a new museum in the courthouse for the Royal Norfolks; previously unseen material from this famous county regiment will go on show when the museum opens in July, and should increase visitor numbers significantly from the current 280,000 a year. But Mr Cheetham dismisses

ing Teapot Gallery. "That," says Mr Cheetham with a grin. zives you everything - popular appeal, seriousness and suggestions that going for sponsorship."

TIP TOP: Whipping tops, once a staple of every school playground, among examples at this toy fest. Specimens from the 15th century to 1960

dance figures would lead to a

trivialization of the collec-

tions. "We have 2,600 teapots,

for example, the largest collec-

tion in the world. That could

be called trivial, but on the

other hand there is a very

serious side to it, because the

history of teapots is the history

of ceramics in this country.

You get both popularization

and sound academic inquiry.

You have got to preserve a

was left to the museum in a

bequest. A private collection

was then acquired and, in a

shrewd move. Twinings was

persuaded to put some

sponsorship money into the

project, now called the Twin-

The original group of 600

balance between them."

when manufacture ceased Other toys from 150 stall-International Antique Toy and Doll Convention, Ramada Inn, Lille Road, London SW6 (071-385 1255). Tomorrow, 9,30am-4,30pm. Adults £4, children £1,

free catalogue.

John Shaw

### **CAMPUS**

# The world's their stage

Louise Chantal on the challenge facing Oxford University Dramatic Society

THE Tokyo Globe may seem portrays the anguish and joy an extreme alternative to the in the life of a violently insane closed Oxford Playhouse, but Oxford University Dramatic Society (OUDS) has successtheatre for the past two years. So if Takyo's Globe is possible, and all the world's a stage, why not the USSR, Hong Kong, Australia and the US? It was this thought that sent Richard Long and myself, co-presidents of OUDS, around the world for 12 days to organize this summer's international tour.

The tour is the showpiece of 12 months of change and restoration. When the university initiated the endowment of a visiting professorship of contemporary theatre by the producer, Cameron Mackintosh, it seemed to be the cue for action. Stephen Sondheim, the first incumbent of the new post, and his successors would be out of place at a university without theatre, drama faculty or any kind of production or co-ordination body for the legion of student shows pre-

So OUDS has independently refurbished the Burton-Taylor Theatre, a 50-seat studio built in 1973 after a donation by that illustrious couple, and hitherto unable to secure a public licence. OUDS members have been finalists at the National Student Drama Festival in both 1989 and 1990, winning the company award last year. We have also initiated a New Writing festival, several international exchanges, and a regular series of professionally led workshops.

OUDS is touring with two very different productions -Twelfth Night and Find Me. a contemporary play by a OUDS can be contacted at the Burton-Taylor Theatre writer, Olwen Wymark, which 0865 793002

girl. While the Shakespeare can be lavish with its humour and fill the largest of proscefully toured to that 700-seat niums, Find Me was originally a workshop piece, thriving best in an intimate space, and the tour provides a generous mix of venues ideally suited to one or the other.

On the pre-tour trip we whirled from press conference to theatre, from airport to embassy, interview, studio and theatre, conscious of havng to pick up as much information about the cities, people and venues as possible to pass on to the company. We were mugged in New York, fed and fed up in Los Angeles, welcomed in

We also put forward the idea of a regular international student theatre festival, the first of which we hope to host in Oxford in 1991. Every group we approached enthused, and we now have plans for the exchange of international theatre for several years, using OUDS as a bureau of contacts and information. Suddenly we had before us plans to send Sydney University to Russia, Harvard to Japan, and bring Chung Ying from Hong Kong to Oxford. The only thing that this tour now needs is £70,000, to enable us to get to the Bing Theatre in LA, the Melbourne Alexandra, and a little town in-Fukuoka called Oki Machi, where I'm told the whole town is likely to turn up to watch us perform, and there won't be a dry eye in the house, although the audience barely speaks English. My money, if we get it, is on that being the high-

light of the whole tour.

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EXHIBITIONS

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TAKING OFF: The story of

earliest days to Richard Branson's hot-air balloon

Branson's Not-air balloon crossing in 1987. Imperial War Museum, Duxford, near Cambridge (0223 833963). Daily 10am-6pm, admission £4.50, children \$2.50, parking available.

528448), 2-5.30pm.

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Nigel Andrew explores the perfectly organized history of Britain's original and best leisure and pleasure city, Bath

t comes bubbling out of the earth hand-hot, it tastes as if it had recently been used to boil cabbage, and it built a city. The water of Bath, gushing from the only hot spring in England, even loday seems to inspire a kind of superstitious wonder. Visitors to the baths may be drawn by antiquarian interest and simple sightseeing tages, but thousands of them throw coins into the water for luck, and few can resist trailing their fingers in it, despite the warning notices everywhere (the water in the baths is tintreated, and might be a health

uburbs

Today's votaries are not, generally, in search of health. They come to enjoy the elegant amenities of what is still, despite three decades of municipal vandalism, a great Georgian city, a city of which the baths are the natural focus. It is, as it as been for a quarter of a millennium, a resort city, designed for leisure and pleasure - though its 18th-century planners could hardly have envisaged tourist invasions on the modern scale. In summer the city often reaches something like bursting point.

It was old Bladud's pigs who started it all. Bladud, a king of the Britons in the 9th century BC (son of Hudibras and father of Lear), caught leprosy and was banished from court. He became a swineherd, but his pigs too were afflicted with a distressing skin condition. One day they chanced on a tempting puddle of warm mud, had a good wallow in it - and were cured. Bladud tried it himself, found it worked on him too, and was eventually able to teturn to court. In gratitude he cleared the hot spring of mud and established a shrine to the goddess Sulis, around which, many centu-ries later, the city of Bath was to develop. A quaint seated statue of Bladud

(17th-century work) still presides over the King's Bath. Here, and in the now demolished Queen's Bath, both open to the sky, centuries of invalids, hypochondriacs and pleasure-seekers took to the opaque, sfeaming waters. It was all pretty informal, not to say licentious, and when the baths began to attract a fashionable clientele in the 18th century, things had to change. Manners were reformed (up to a point) and the city was rebuilt on a grand scale as the greatest and handsomest of English spas, with all the amenities of polite society. In the course of this wholesale reconstruction, wonderful discoveries were made. The Roman city

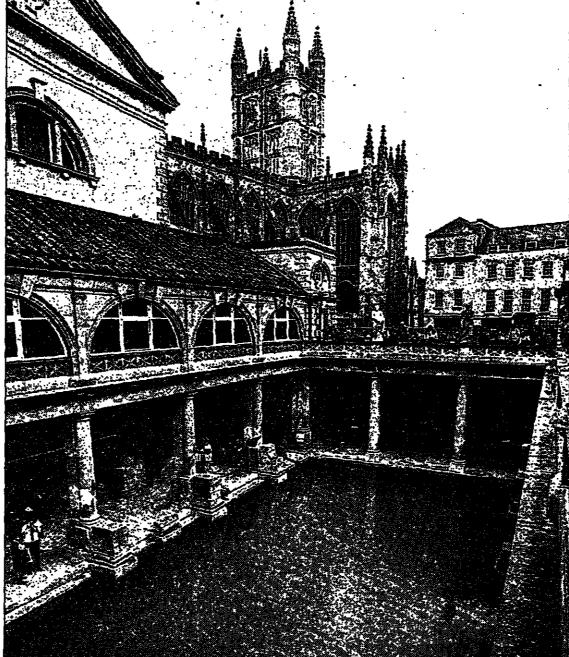
began to give up its treasures. made in 1727 by workmen digging a sewer trench in Stall Street. It was a life-sized head of Minerva, the goddess of the springs, astonishingly well preserved, made of gilded bronze. It is now the prize exhibit in the Roman Baths Museum, beautifully displayed in a dramatically lit transparent box. All the great finds which followed - the Gorgon's head pediment, the Luna pediment, the tombstones and votive altars — are exhibited with similar flair in this modern, uncluttered, brilliantly organized museum. It occupies the actual site of the great Roman bathing establishment which was uncovered in all its glory in a series of systematic excavations beginning in the 1860s. Hence it is some 20 feet underground, in a carefully modulated gloom, from which the exhibits stand out in eye-catching pools of light.

It is a museum of large gestures, in proportion to the scale of the remains. There are big, bold inscriptions — including an evocative quotation from a Saxon poem about the ruins of Roman Bath - a large, well-mounted relief plan of the ancient city, and a huge wooden model of the baths complex.

Complex is the word: the more the excavators dug, the more they found, eventually unearthing a gi-gantic Roman "leisure centre" with temple attached, nearly all of which is now on view, in various states of preservation or dilapidation. With the honourable exception of the Great Bath (which we shall be coming to), nothing is faked, no gaps filled in with dubious reconstructions. There is really no need for any of that, for these are far and away the most extensive and coherent Roman remains in England - if we leave aside Hadrian's Wall, anyway. The excavations and finds are displayed with a lucidity and verve rarely encountered at Roman sites.

The smaller exhibits include the temple treasures of silver and pewter and coins offered to the goddess, piled up in such quantities they suggest a jackpot spilling from the celestial fruit machine. Latin curses were also thrown into the sacred spring, and some of the deciphered inscriptions show a fine, timeless vindictiveness: "Docimelis has lost two gloves. He asks that the person who has stolen them should lose his mind and his eyes in the temple where she appoints." Docimelis must have been rather attached to those gloves.

The inscriptions on the tombstones and alters, on the other hand, are models of sensible Roman restraint, stoical, resigned to fate, ments once lined the roads into the



Still waters running green: the Great Bath, uncarthed in the 1880s with its Roman lead lining intact

smart resort which grew up around the sacred, health-giving, pleasurebringing hot spring.

The centre of the Roman "leisure

complex" was, of course, the Great Bath, the size of a modern swimming pool, in those days covered with a high, barrel-vaulted roof, now open to the elements. It is an extraordinary sight, and a quite astonishing survival: when it was unearthed in the 1880s, its Roman lead lining was found to be still intact. There is a charming photograph in the museum of late Victorian worthies standing around the newly reopened Great Bath, on which - a delightful touch - water

Today the water lilies are gone,

but otherwise the Great Bath is very much as the Victorians left it, embellished with convincing statues of Roman notables, looking down on the greenish water from their places atop the colonnade. Visitors stroll among the columns, stand on the steps and peer into the murky depths, or lounge like sated Romans in patches of trapped sunlight. The baths, like the city itself, still encourage ease, and anyway it is best to take these great remains at a leisurely pace; there is an awful lot to see, with whole suites of smaller bath-houses opening off

the Great Bath at either end. There is only one way to round

The Roman Baths and Museum,
Bath, Avon, are open daily (summer

Room, that sumptuous 18th-century interior, presided over by the statue of Beau Nash, who did so much to make Bath what it is, or was. The water (treated) can be bought by the glass, and the Pump Room Trio might be playing - with noisy competition from more raucous entertainments going on in the Piazza outside. Beyond lies the abbey, Sally Lunn's, the Pulteney bridge the Assembly Rooms, the Circus and Royal Crescent, and all the glories of Georgian Bath. The city has come a long way from that puddle of warm mud.

Bath, Avon, are open daily (summer with refreshment in the Pump 9am-6pm). Adult £2.70, child £1.40. I 10.30am-5pm.

# Forest festivities

I he Rainforest Festival, the largest ever to be organized by Friends of the Earth and supporters, begins today for two weeks, with bundreds of different events from classical concerts to children's workshops taking place throughout the country. Proceeds from the festival will be used for FOE scientific research, and to fund forestry initiatives in Brazil, Africa, Malaysia and Papua New Guinea. Today's events' include a local festival in the Imperial Gardens, Cheltenham; a family parrot picnic in Priory Park, Prittlewell, Southend; children's activities, bands and music in the shopping precinct, Worcester, a concert at Stevenage College; cabaret and films at the Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham; and a rainforest band at the Oxford Venue, Oxford. Tomorrow there is a sponsored family walk in the Malvern Hills and benefit concert at Campus West, Welwyn and Hatfield. In London tomorrow you can support the cause by attending the Rainforest Recital at the Wigmore Hall, listen to the Greenwood Orchestra at St Mary the Virgin, Primrose Hill, or attend - in tropical fancy dress the jungle hop at the London Pavilion, Piccadilly. The Barbican centre is organizing dozens of foyer events and children's workshops throughout the week.

Further information about these and other events taking place in your area can be obtained by ringing the Festival Office (071-490 4670/5210) today 10am-4pm, tomorrow 11am-4pm, eekdays 9am-7pm.

MODEL BOAT RALLY: National event with 10 classes and trophles to be won at the museum which houses the finest collection of vintage steamboats in the world. Panoramic lakeside views, refreshments throughout. Windemere Steamboat Museum, Raywig Road, Bowness on Windermere Cumbria (09662 5565). Today, tomorrow, 10am-5pm. Adult 22, child £1.

NUNHEAD CEMETERY OPEN DAY: Annual opportunity to explore the 52-acre Victorian cemetery. Free conducted tours on the hour from noon, natural history walks, a genealogy desk, brass rubbings, children's activities Nunhead Cemetery, Lindon Grove, London SE15. Today, 11am-5pm. Further information 081-639 1613.

SHEEP SHEARING DAY: Rare breeds from the farm and others from nearby flocks will be expertly shorn. Also demonstrations of spinning and weaving. Dorset Rare Breeds Centre, Park Farm, Shaftsbury Road, Gillingham, Dorset. Tomorrow 10am-6pm, adult £2, child £1.50.

FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS AT ROGANTIDE: The church will be filled with flowers and crops from the field and garden. A concert by the Cappe Singers today, Rogation service tomorrow evening with the Bishop of Glouces Church tower open and light refreshment and a produce tent in the churchyard. St Martin's, North Nibley, Dursley, Gloucs. Today, tomorrow. Hunts Court Garden

**BRAEMOR CRAFT SHOW:** Variety of traditional crafts for sale and demonstrated at this 16th-century manor house in oleasant grounds. Braamor House Fordingbridge, Hants (07257 270). Today, tomorrow,

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE 75TH ANNIVERSARY MAY FAIR: Organized by the West Yorkshire Federation, a two-day fair with the emphasis on morris men, vintage cars both days. WI marquee with a craft fair, exhibitions, stalls, demonstrations. Licensed ba and other refreshments And other refreshments.

Nostell Priory, Doncaster
Road, Nostell, near Wakefield,
West Yorkshire. Today noon5pm, tomorrow 11am-5pm.
Adult 21.50, child 70p.

WORLD OF ART DECO FAIR: Considered to be one of the best events of its kind for collectors of 1920s and 1930s fashion, furniture, interior design, decorative arts and ceramics, attended by 250 dealers from all over the country. Greenwich Borough Hall,

Royal Hill, Greenwich, SE10. Tomorrow, 10am-5pm. EAST COAST BOAT SHOW:

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Judy Froshaug

## **MOTORING CHALLENGE**

# Along the Silk Road

through an interpreter on Chinese traffic regulations. It was our first morning over the border in the London-to-Peking Motoring Challenge.

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He wore a white tunic with red stripes on the lapels, a cap of green and white heavy with gold braid and a pair of jet black sunglasses, looking like a contender high on the shortlist for the first available presidency of a banana republic.

 The lecture started slowly. The Chinese drove on the right; so should we, and we should indicate right when turning right. It picked up when detailing the use of roundabouts: to turn left you did not go round, but cut across directly.

Then the occasion was lifted by Mr Ma's advice on driving technique; no eating, drinking, smoking or talking while at the wheel, and no driving when you were tired.

This final point brought ironic cheers from his audience, since when we had crawled into Yining at 12.15am the night before and had sat down to dinner at lam, we were at the end of our tether. A two-hour delay at the border, because some Challengers had failed to fill in their customs declarations forms, was forgotten as we set of to lion dances and fire crackers. Refuelling at the petrol station, waiting until the last car was ready, took another two hours, but thousands had waited up to greet us as we entered the city.

Leaving the city the next morning at seven in the dark, we saw two men playing pool on the kerbside, the table illuminated by a single bulb overhead.

In a tight convoy we negotiated rough roads, crossed a ford, climbed the Heavenly Mountains, descended past Syram Lake and eventually reached Urumchi for lunch.

Driving out of the provincial capital was a revelation. We appeared to take an eightmile tour of the city, through

MR MA, chief of traffic police for the Xianjiang Province, stood up to deliver a lecture

New adventures befall the members of the London to Peking car convov as it the London to Peking car convoy as it reaches China. Graham Rock reports



streets lined with excited locals; the crowd was estimated at over 100,000 and in places allowed a clearance of three inches on either side of the vehicle. Mothers held out their children to be blessed by the Challengers and at times eager spectators blocked the

Moving through the desert mountains, those stopping to take photographs were hurried along by traffic police. After another interminable fuel stop, we trailed into Turfan and sat down to dinner at 11.30pm. Turfan is the lowest inhabited place in the world, and the Challenge had reached its nadir. Revolution was in

When Mildred Cable roamed this area 60 years ago she met in Turfan spiders with bodies as large as pigeons' eggs which made a crunching sound when they devoured their prey. It wouldn't have mattered if we had pecled back the bed clothes to find a nest of vipers, we would have happily have snuggled up alongside.

Late-night negotiations between the organizers of the Challenge and Mr Ma produced a compromise. We would travel in convoy through the built-up areas,

then drive without escort to be collected for refuelling outside Hami, our next stop.

The scenery was spectacular. On the left the distant remnants of the Heavenly Mountain range, and on the right an infinity of sand and stone, relieved occasionally by the startling green of an oasis.

The night sky of the Gobi Desert holds a million stars but the Hami Hotel beneath had none. No matter; like everywhere in China, the staff made exceptional efforts to please us and at dinner that night Mr Ma was toasted and cheered. We sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow"; he always had been, of course, but it took us a while to find out.

Driving through rural China unaccompanied requires the concentration of a pilot landing in a minefield. The tarmac strip in the villages is no wider than an English B road, and is bordered by a narrow path on either side. In your direction might be travelling a donkey and cart being overtaken by a tractor with cyclists in both directions weaving in between. The other side would be equally busy, and there is

only one way to negotiate a passage: slowly. The Silk Road has existed as

a trading route between the East and the West for over 2,000 years. It is mostly metalled now, although there is a stretch of 40 miles between Hami and Dunhuang which is unlaid. Road is a flattering eaphemism for the hills, bumps, ruts, ribs, rocks, pot-holes and sand which we had to negotiate. At times a camel would have been quicker, but all the vehicles survived, although the 1939 BSA lost its sidecar when the mounting gave way.

One car which out-paced many of its more modern rivals over this inhospitable terrain was the 1930 Model A Ford, with American Don Saunders at the wheel. The Ford is on its second drive around the world, and in Alma Ata had won an automobile gymkhana in which Challengers defeated the local opposition, taking the first three places.

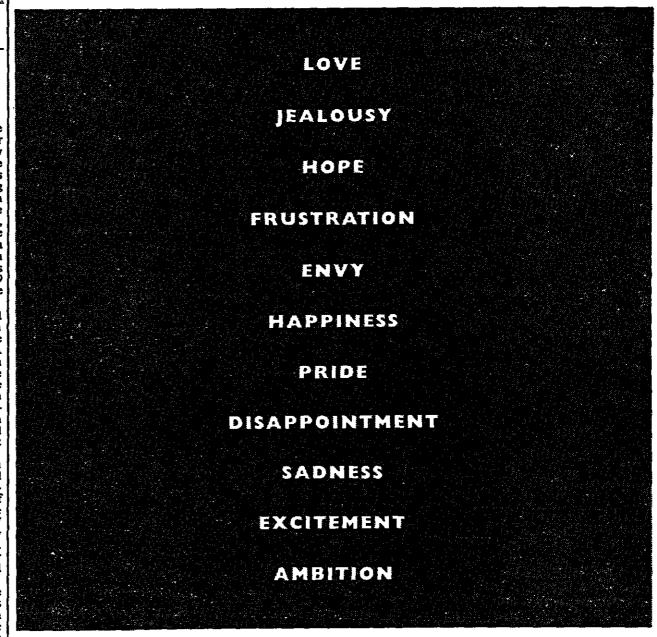
During our first few days in China a modern BMW and Mercedes holed their unguarded sumps, the chassis of the 1929 Ford Model A estate had cracked and a BMW motorbike was temporarily halted by a hole in a piston. The repair team of Roger Cotte and Andy Tatlow coped with all of them.

Dust-clouds enveloped the cars for the most tortuous section of the Gobi, and when we eventually reached the Dunhuang Hotel the desert had found its way into the suitcases locked in the boot.

The major disappointment of our week came at Hami. Passing through in the 13th century, Marco Polo was delighted to record that visiting strangers were handed over to local wives by their husbands.

"The guest stays with his wife and does what he will with her, lying with her in one bed just as if she was his own wife, and they lead a gay life together. The women are beautiful and vivacious and always ready to oblige." Just the sort of thing we

Challengers had come to expect, you might think, but some customs have failed to survive the passing of



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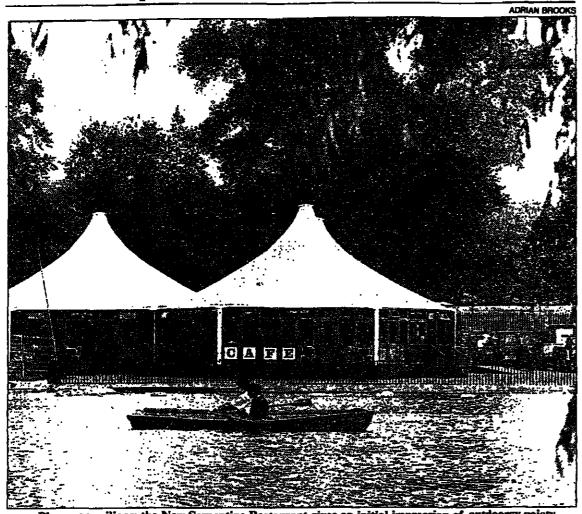
# Feeding punters in the park

t Woolwich, the garrison town which is attached to south-east London but which possesses the character of the harsh and precipitous towns on the north Kent shore, there is a strange Royal Artillery museum called the Ro-tunda. Strange, not because it's a living graveyard of ancient ballistic technologies, but because it's a temporary structure that's 186 years old: it was designed by John Nash, and originally erected in St James's Park. A few years later it was taken down and taken south east, just as the Crystal Palace would be after the Great Exhibition. And there it still stands, oddly festive given the belligerent gravity of the items it houses. Now, I think it would be fair to say that most members of London's designing classes are more familiar with Milan and Barcelona and Stuttgart than they are with Woolwich and its Kentish kin (Chatham, Gravesend, Gillingham); Woolwich is not a stopping point on the modern grand tour. though the Thames Barrier and the 500-yard-long façade of the barracks are only the more obvious of its many attractions. (I can't recommend anywhere to eat.)

It strikes me, then, as being improbable that the author of the New Serpentine Restaurant is consciously indebted to Nash, though one never knows. But either way the new and temporary (or temporarylooking - time will tell) building on the south side of the dammed River Westbourne recalls the festiveness of the Rotunda. It is composed of conjoined pentagons with pavilion roofs. The initial impression is of a tourney, of outdoorsy gaiety, of summery lightness. That's what comes to mind when you see it across the water. Rather, those are some of the things that come to mind. Others include regret that the old Serpentine Restaurant - not that old, only 30 years — is about to be demolished. As I wrote last summer when that forthcoming act of destruction was announced, the elegant and admittedly, un-fashionable buildings are being made scapegoats for the ineptitude of the catering operation they housed. And of course, they are paying the price of not pretending to have been built in the 18th century.

The New Serpentine's building is laughably inferior, from a distance it is, as I suggest, quite seductive. But get close to it, and it becomes evident that it is not a work of architecture but of Exterior Decoration. Sit in it for any length of time and you become convinced that you are at some particularly tacky wedding. It cleverly mimics the

Jonathan Meades braves the greenery to assess Prue Leith's new attempt to raise the tone of London park catering



Pleasure pavilions: the New Serpentine Restaurant gives an initial impression of outdoorsy gaiety

claustrophobic airlessness of a marquee in high summer. When I tried to open a window I found that it was locked. I then appealed to a flophaired member of staff for some oxygen and he gracelessly deigned to open another, less adjacent window by an inch: any more air and he'd have to charge for it.

I should point out that I lunched on an overcast day. I imagine that the conjunction of a plastic roof, massive expanses of glass and unrelenting sun is going to cause problems: come July punters will be fainting like guardsmen among the weeping figs and bowls of lilies. This is a very green restaurant and most of the greenery looks as though it has been hired for the day; likewise the furniture - rude tables and white plastic chairs. It is a great pity that Prue Leith was not given the chance to do her stuff in the old Serpentine restaurant

Ms Leith, gastronomic empress and owner of the enduringly successful restaurant that bears her name in Notting Hill, is here attempting to raise London park catering from its habitual level of stale ghastliness. The New Serpentine Restaurant bears the same relationship to all other park caffs as the Ram Jam Inn bears to all other motorway caffs. But in terms of utility the New Serpentine doesn't begin to approach that roadhouse. Its location may be unusual, but it is only minutes' walk from Queensway and South Kensington, both of which are possessed of numerous

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worthwhile restaurants. It is against these that the New Serpentine must compete, for what is exceptional within the debased milieu of park catering is not - it goes without saying - anything more than ordinary outside that milieu. Further, Hyde Park cannot be counted among London's more notable parks: compared with Crystal Pal-ace Park or Waterlow Park or Regent's Park, it is verdantly banal. The view from the New Serpentine is relieved only by the spire of Christ Church, Lancaster Gate and the despised Hilton: for the rest it's

and primary-coloured pedaloes. The restaurant's menu hedges its bets, as if the place doesn't know who it is attempting to attract — the casual stroller suddenly overcome with the need for a sausage, or the purposeful diner wishing to feed on the view. I think the answer is both.

green trees, green grass, green water

And, as culinary compromises go, the results are not displeasing. Essentially what we have here is the acceptable face of fast food with some cutely cosmetic touches applied. Thus the sausages are not any old sausages, but well-made ones, meaty and herby; they are served with decent mash and a (predictably) over-sweetened onion chutney. Grilled (and rather burnt) chicken breast is also on the sweet side on account of its marinade of soy, ginger, cardamom and presumably - sugar. This emphasis on sweetness was also apparent at the Ram Jam Inn, where I attributed it to the chef's sweet tooth. I may have been mistaken. I have a hunch that this is a cunning ruse on the part of middle-class restaurateurs to appeal to a supposedly proletarian palate, to the kind of palate that is used to sweetish bottled sauces, and whose owner is flattered by their absence from the table and by their replacement with home-made chutneys etc. Full circle really, for the flavours of bottled sauces must have derived from the questionable tradition of spiced fruit with meat.

ther dishes at the New Serpentine included an unremarkable one of smoked trout with horseradish cream, a creamy and well-flavoured courgette and mint soup, Eton Mess (which is a risibly tourist-board name for strawberries and cream), and sticky toffee pudding which was stodgy toffee pudding. The bread is first-rate and the wine list is short, inexpensive, unthreatening, but offers no halves and nothing by the glass - which, given the nature of the operation, is daft.

It is more than daft for this joint not to accept charge cards or credit cards; this is definitely more than daft, it is an instance of Sod-You restauration, and potentially embarrassing to the punter. I've heard all the arguments against accepting such cards - and they don't stand up, for the simple reason that customers expect to be able to pay by such means. With mineral water we paid £35, includservice by girls with green pinnies and deficient English. With a bottle of wine two will pay about £45, neither a bargain price nor a rip-off. Me, I'd sooner spend the money on an away-day to Woolwich and Gravesend where, from the pleasure gardens at Rosherville, there rose piles of oyster shells high as houses and black as siag. Now, that was

park catering.

#### DIRECTORY

Stars — up to a maximum of 10 — are for cooking rather than swags and chandeliers. Prices on this page are for a threecourse meal for two. They include an aperitif and modest wine in the case of French places, tea in the case of oriental ones and so on. Prices change: they usually go up. Dishes also may have changed - they are given only as an indication of the

establishment's repertoire. I accept no responsibility for disappointments and claim no credit for happy surprises. Always phone first. J.M.

#### ITALIAN

#### Pagu Dinai ★★★ 690 Fulham Road, London,

SW6 (071-736 1195) SW6 (071-736 1195)
The only place in London specializing in Sardinian cooking and a good place to go into training for the World Cup. Much of the menu is composed of standard Italian stuff but the specifically island dishes are the ones to go for, notably a gutsy saute of eel with tomato and black clives. The seafood risotto here is superb. Drink Sardinian Selvatico. £45.

## Pizzeria Castello

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20 Walworth Road, London
SE1 (071-703 2556)
The best pizzas in London by a long way. Big restaurant, ranks of pizza ovens by the door, utilitarian decor, fantastic bustle as though this was Naples itself. The prices are very low for cooking of such excellence. Drink Colle Secco. The pasta dishes are perfectly OK but don't match the main business of tne place. £28.

#### Al San Vincenzo

\*\*\*\* 52 Upper Mulgrave Road, Cheam, Surrey (081-661 9763)
Tiny and original restaurant in a row of suburban shops. The Neapolitan cooking has nothing to do with the conventions of London "Italian" catering. Vincent Borgonzolo uses good ingredients, and unlike most Italian cooks is not atraid to adapt trad recipes: veal stuffed with mozzarella and harn is surfied with riozzatea and than is authentically Neapolitan, the accompanying sauce owes much to French practice. Sweets are inventive, cheeses far beyond the usual dismal selection of dolcelatte and dolcelatte. £50.

\*\*\*\* 3 Russell Gardens, London W14 (071-371 6271) W14 (071-371 6271)
Very exciting Italian cooking in a decorative hodgepodge across the rail tracks from Olympia. It vies with the River Café for supremacy among London Italian restaurants, not least because it has nothing to do with the debased traditions of that stagmant backwater of the catering trade. The kitchen combines unfussy innovation with simply prepared classics, and reminds us that taby is a neighbour of Austria. Some dishes are of Austria. Some dishes are or Austria. Some bisness are specifically north Italian, some might be found in starry restaurants anywhere between Bologna and Brussels. Among the many excellent dishes from a frequently between the state of the start of the

changing menu: raw marknated salmon, tuna and scallops; grilled

Aslago cheese with sweated sweet peppers; marvellously light gnocch with braised rabbit; ceps fried with garlic; beef with stewed caps; muset with extra virgin oil and garlic. The vegetables are inventive. The portions are generous. The all-Italian wine list is generously priced and well chosen.

nerously priced and well chosen.

★★★★★ 27 Weilington Street, London WC2 (071-240 5269) Fashionable basement done out to look like Milan or Turin of the early 1950s. Among the top Italian places in London. Most dishes are of Piedmontese or Lombardian provenance: sweetbreads with shallots, chicken with olives and tomatoes. It successfully combine rusticity with refinement. The attention to detail is great. £80.

#### La Capannina \* \* \* \* \* 24 Romilly Street, London W1 (071-437 2473)

(UT-45) (213)
Chianti bottles on the ceiling, frenenc driven waiters on the floor. None the less this is Italian rather than "Italian", and there is cooking rather than catering. Lovely risotto with porcini, carefully done call's liver with rosemary, fine veg. Cramped vables, and grey shoes de rigueur. 245.

#### MARYLEBONE

#### Caravan Serai \*\*\* 50 Paddington Street, London W1 (071-935 1208) Ricrously carpeted Afghan joint whose cooking marries that of India and that of Iran. £35.

# Martin's \*\*\* 239 Baker Street, London NW1 (071-935 3130/0997) Off the peg décor — take marble, "tasteful" pastel drawings — and one-off cooking. Some of the dishes are really gutsy, e.g. sweetbreads with tomato, gartic and basil sauce: venison with bone marrow and thimble dumplings; parsnip gratin; mushroom "gateau". Cheeses and sweets are smorth 570.

### ★★★ 25 Paddington Street, London W1 (071-935 2883)

Dismal-looking bistro serving notably undismal dishes such as sweetbreads with Madeira sauce, boudin noir, fromage de tête, firstrate cheeses, cheap petits vins.

# Jason's Court Restaurant \*\*\*\* Jason's Court, off Wigmore Street, London W1 (071-224)

Accomplished new wave English cooking in a basement in an alley that is all too easy to miss. The place is marred by its tweeness and by menu prose that would make a child wince. Chef Shaun Thomson worked under Mosimann at the Dorchester and while, to some extent, he still ages his master, he is clearly his own man too. This is one of the rare London restaurants that serve haggis. Also recommended are beef ribs and the marvellous bread and butter pud. The wines are OK but a bit too

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# DRINK

# Hail the white pretender

or years wine merchants have sought a white wine alternative to the ultra-chic, ultra-fashionable and now ultra-expensive Chardonnay. This has brought various white varieties to the fore, including the zesty, verdant Sauvignon, the intriguing, chameleon-like Semillon, and the racy, flowery Riesling. But all three have failed to match, in consumers' eyes, the appealing, buttery charm of the Chardonnay

grape.
The latest challenger to Chardonnay's crown is the Pinot Gris grape of Alsace. I have always been somewhat sceptical about this sparsely planted variety's ability to knock Chardonnay off its perch. But my visit last December to the French wineproducing region of Alsace, where every quality-minded grower claimed it was their answer to Chardonnay, made

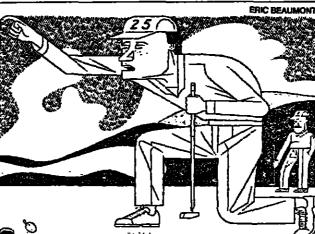
me think again. As with many grape varieties, no one knows exactly where the Pinot Gris came from. It belongs to the same family as Burgundy's Pinot Noir grape, and is thought to be one of the many mutations of this notoriously unstable variety, so it seems likely that Burgundy was its birthplace. In the Middle Ages it journeyed from France to Switzerland and on to Hungary. Here it was planted out on sunny, terraced slopes overlooking Lake Balaton, to the west of the country. The Hungarians call the Pinot Gris Szürkebarát, and I still have the notes made there in 1981 of a delicious golden glass of a '79 Szürkebarát.

Today it is found extenively in Germany, followed by Italy and, to a lesser extent, Alsace, besides other regions of France, Switzerland, Austria, Luxemburg. Yugoslavia and even the USSR.

The Pinot Gris is less trying to grow than its Pinot Noir ancestor, but its yield is low and fickle, and it shows the same disconcerting ability to degenerate. Warmer wineproducing countries have also been reluctant to plant Pinot Gris because wines made from this grape variety have naturally low acidity and high alcohol levels. These are attributes that these countries' grapes already have in abundance, and which their winemakers try hard to control. New Zealand is the one outpost of the Pinot Gris

Can the Pinot Gris grape oust Chardonnay from the white wine

throne? Jane MacQuitty reports



grape where success has been achieved, most notably at Dry River Estate in the Wairarapa, close to Wellington.

The best wines made from the Pinot Gris grape come mostly from Alsace and Germany. To confuse us all, Germany calls the Pinot Gris the Rulander, and in Alsace Pinot Gris wines are often labelled Tokay d'Alsace. (This is nothing to do with the Tokay wines of Hungary, which are made from different and distinctly Hungarian grape varieties.) First-class French and German Pinot Gris wines have an extraordinarily powerful, rich, fullbodied, peachy quality, overlaid with soft, spicy flavours that are similar to those of the Gewürztraminer grape but nowhere near as fullblown. If you have not tried a top-notch Pinot Gris wine before, imagine a cross between the Chardonnay and Gerwürztraminer grapes. Mature French examples of the

Pinot Gris take on a strong, smoky-toasty quality. In short, the Pinot Gris grape is one of the most robust here or in Alsace say, this and powerfully flavoured

white wine varieties in the Chardonnay from its white

Warehouses, £2.79 Hugh Ryman has struck gold again with the second vintage of this wondrously fragrant, flowery-musky wine. The '89 predominantly Ugni Blanc vintage is even better than the '88. One of the best bargain-

world. Of course, there are exceptions to every wine generalization, and Italy's mostly light, zesty, bland Pinot Gris, known there as Pinot Grigio, is about as far removed from that description as it could be. This is easily explained: most of Italy's wine producers pick their Pinot Grigio grapes as early as possible, in order to hang on to every ounce of acidity they can get. At best, the results have a little of that peachy-spicy quality found in France, but most fall into the crisp, lemony, aperitif-style camp that could, I feel, be

grape variety. Still, if you are keen to try an Italian Pinot Grigio, some of which are noticeably rosy of hue. look out for those from north-east Italy - the best come from Friuli-Venezia-Giulia, followed by the Alto Adige. To test the Chardonnay-ofthe-Nineties theory I went to a

wrought from almost any

blind tasting last week of 27 different Pinot Gris wines. The results, we all agreed, were disappointing. No matter what the Pinot Gris devotees grape is not likely to oust

#### WINE BUYS

1989 Domaine Le Puts Blanc, Vin de Pays de Côtes de Gascogne Majestic Wine

buy whites of the summer.

 1989 Domaine Le Puts Rouge, Vin de Pays de Côtes de Gascogne Majestic, £2.79 Made mostly from Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot grapes, this is Hugh Ryman's first attempt at a red Le Puts. I love this wine's soft, rich, aromatic fruit and velvety palate.

wine perch yet. Its positive, powerful style may well make it a perfect food wine, but for many consumers it is going to be an acquired taste. There were far too many quirky wines on the table for this grape to have universal appeal, and many had a bitter, over-extracted finish that I find unpleasant. What was interesting about the results was that although Alsace accounted for 13 of the wines and Germany just six, Germany, in my book, tied for the top place, and also hadanother wine in the top tier.

Germany's leader was the '88 Rulander, Auslese Trocken from Gunderloch-Usinger in the Rheinhessen. I loved its ripe, peachy, almost oriental spice and multi-layered palate. Equal first was the delicious, zesty, spicy-grapey '88 Tokay d'Alsace from the splended Turckheim co-op-erative (Victoria Wine Company, £4.19. Oddbins, £3.99).

fter that came four A wines with little be-tween them. The elegant, round, full spicy fruit of the '87 André Kientzier Tokay d'Alsace: the rich, toastv. tropical fruit and oriental Grauburgunder (another name for Rulander) Auslesc Trocken from Muller-Catoir in the Rheinpfalz; the mature, rich, honeyed '85 Blanck To-kay d'Alsace (Lay & Wheeler, 6 Culver St West, Colchester, carry the '85 Altenbourg for £7.60); and the rare '88 Hautes from Cotes-de-Nuits Thevenot-Le-Brun (very limited stocks only from Bentalls. Wood St, Kingston upon £8.99. Thames, Castlemead Cellars. Hertingfordbury Rd, Hertford, £8.88) made from the Pinot Gris grape, but called Pinot Beurot by the Burgundians, whose heavily oaky. peachy style betrayed its Burgundian origins. Half a point behind was Hugel's '83 Tokay d'Alsace, whose smoky, buttery, oriental spice I also enjoyed.

It was a pity that one of Zind-Humbrecht's superlative Pinot Gris wines was not included, such as its 88 Tokay-Pinot Gris, Vieille Vigne (The Wine Society. Gunnels Wood Road Stevenage, Herts, £9.65). This amazingly strong, smoky, intensely flowery wine is one of the most delicious Pinot Gris i

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# One man's meat.

concern about BSE has a lot of people worrying whether their meat might not also be their poison, it is reassuring to report that two of the supermarket chains have taken initiatives to make available to their customers meat that is produced with care and concern for animal welfare, bealth and the environment

 Safeway has been selling organic beef in selected stores (chosen because they were the ones which sold most organic fruit and vegetables) since January, having taken five years to find an adequate and dependable source. This month it has added organic lamb. Organic meat, produced in conformity with Soil Association standards, is available in 17 Safeway stores in London and the South East. and at Comely Bank in Edinburgh. Organic beef sells at a 35 per cent premium over the price of ordinary beef. With lamb the organic meat is about 15 per cent more expensive. To organically-minded customers, though, such prices are apparently no obstacle. We simply sell as much as we can get hold of," says a

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Safeway spokesman. Lack of availability and, he says, a purely practical background convinced Tom Gillon, the trade controller for meat at Asda, that organic was not for him. Instead this week Asda launched Conservation Grade beef and lamb in six stores - Watford, Nottingham, Southeate Circus, Burgh Heath, Farnborough (Hants), and Roehampton Vale. Mr Gillon hopes to have enough Conservation Grade meat selected by the Pure Meat Company and "farmed and produced with care and concern for the welfare of livestock and the land" - to put in 20 shops by the end of the year.

Asda already has a unique livestock scheme, in which it controls the production of meat "from conception to consumption". It now includes 130 farmers with 10,000 cattle, producing about one-fifth of the company's beef requirements. That, and Asda's outdoor pig production scheme, could soon be converted to Conservation Grade

Among the principal differences between the two regimes are that organic producers attempt to do without vaccines and pesticides, relying instead on homoeopathic remedies. The Guild of Conservation Food founded in 1983, and has registered Conservation rived from a distant relative of

the mushroom, described as a

It has been around for a few

years in made-up recipe

dishes, but it becomes a much

more interesting option al-together now that it is sold as a

"raw" ingredient for which the

cook can devise his or her own

recipes. I am not sure that I

really like it, but I'm fas-

cinated by it. In flavour and

texture, as well as colour, it most resembles chunks of

breast meat from a readv-

basted turkey. The protein,

which is entirely vegetable

based, is mixed with a stock

flavoured solely with natural

vegetable flavourings, and bound with a little egg white to

give it a meat-like chewiness

Quorn is already cooked

and needs no more than five

to 15 minutes' cooking in

whatever recipe you use it for.

I have marinated the chunks.

grilled and fried them.

casseroled them with wine,

herbs and mushrooms, and

To begin with, it will be

available only in the London

and resistance.

style sauce.

with water.

There are

healthy alternative to meat.

Grade as a trademark and taken copyright on the phrase
- regards the health of the animal as paramount and says the best scientific research should be utilized to ensure

They are, accordingly, willing to see animals vaccinated. dosed with antibiotics if necessary, and rid of worms and as long as those treatments are shown to take effect only on the animal, and not thereafter on the environment or those who subsequently consume

Similarly, while organic farmers will use only organic fertilizers, the Guild of Conservation Food Producers' rules permit the use of low solubility artificial fertilizers which will not leach into the

r Gillon started nego-Guild after he saw the interest engendered by the Pure Meat Company's Conservation Grade meat stand at the Food and Farming Fair in Hyde Park which Asda sponsored a year ago. For him the attraction is that Conservation Grade beef and lamb can go on to his shelves at a premium of only 15 to 20 per cent, despite the extra six months to a year that is taken to produce it. Slower growth, he says, produces better structured joints and meat in which you can see the traditional marbling of intramuscular fat once highly desired, but lately a victim of consumer insistence on lean meat.

The Pure Meat Company, as well as wholesaling to Asda and increasingly to other butchers, has two retail shops of its own in Moreton Hampstead, Devon, and Bath Place, Taunton, Somerset, and also operates a nationwide mail order business (0647 40321) area, at a cost of £2.19 for a which can supply Conserva- 250g packet. I am told that 90 tion Grade meat.

### THE TIMES COOK

# Packing a protein punch

Frances Bissell explores ways to cook with the sampling some mushroom's healthy distant relative, Quorn cient and modern. Quora, a myco-protein de-



chopped them in the food processor to use in Bolognese Certainly it would be most unappealing to those who characteristics that you need to take account of when dislike the taste and texture of meat, since it closely resemcooking it. The substance is highly absorbent of colours because it contains albumen. But for those who no longer and flavours. Marinating it in eat meat on moral grounds, red wine leaves it pink and those who wish to reduce throughout the cooking, untheir intake of animal fat, this less you dry it thoroughly first is something to try. and then fry it to a nice brown,

Quinoa (what a pity I am as you would with a meat not doing an alphabetical casserole. And it does brown guide to unusual ingredients) well. If using stronger marihas been around for several nades such as soy sauce, dilute thousand years. It is a grass which grows in the Andes, and Frying the chopped mixture is now cultivated on a large needs a large deep pan, as the tiny pieces have a tendency to scale in China and America. used for both its leaves and its jump and spit in the heat. seeds. These are very tiny and Because all the juices in Quorn round, no bigger than sesame are water-based rather than seeds, and cook quickly, fat-based - which is what contributes to its healthy, lowabsorbing up to three times calorie image - it can produce their volume of water. The a very dry dish, especially as a seeds contain twice the propasta sauce, unless you add tein of white rice and fewer plenty of liquid. It is also a carbohydrates, and 100g will dense, filling food, and a 250g give 8g dietary fibre. It is pack (about 902) will feed four absolutely delicious, with a people, 100g contains 11.8g flavour all its own, although protein, 2g carbohydrate, 3.5g fat (of which 0.6g is saturated), not unlike that of sweet corn without the sweetness. It cooks to a pale, creamy green. 4.8g of dietary fibre and 86 calories, just over half that and can be eaten hot, like rice, contained in cooked chicken or mixed with chopped vegbreast without the skin. etables and vinaigrette and

eaten as a salad. Use it as a

stuffing for vegetables, as a

filler in vegetarian burgers and

loaves, or in soups. Like rice,

Quorn are not vegetarians, absorption method, or in plenty of water and then drained. If you use the latter method, save the cooking liquid, which makes an exbles it. Vegans cannot eat it cellent vegetable stock. Quinoa is available fromhealthfood shops and is imported by Direct Foods, 25 Hayhill Industrial Estate, Sileby Road, Barrow-on-Soar, Leicester LE12 8LD.

> f you want to know more about vegetarian cookery and ingredients such as tofu, tempeh and tamari. the Vegetarian Society, a registered educational charity, has its own cookery school in Cheshire, the only one of its kind in the world. Evening classes, day courses and oneweek courses are offered, for everyone from beginners to experts. Rosemary Billings is the cookery school co-ordinator: The Vegetarian Society (UK) Ltd, Parkdale, Dunham Road, Altrincham, Cheshire WA144QG. Marinated kebabs

(Serves 4) 1 packet (250g) Quorn

3 thsp extra virgin olive oil 1 tsp lemon juice 1/2 tsp ground coriander 1/2 tsp ground cumin 1/2 tsp chopped thyme

8 cherry tomatoes 16 button mushrooms fresh parsley, mint or coriander leaves for garnish

Put the pieces of Quorn in a bowl, and mix with two tablespoons olive oil, lemon juice, spices and herbs. Leave to marinate for 20-30 minutes. Brush the rest of the olive oil over the mushrooms. Thread the pieces of Quorn,

10 minutes, or until the vegetables are done. Serve on a mound of couscous, bulgour fresh herbs.

An alternative version is to marinate the cubes in a mixture of soy sauce, rice wine or sherry, toasted sesame oil and five spice powder, and, after grilling, serve them as satay with a peanut and chilli sauce.

Quom sauce for pasta (Serves 6)

1 celery stalk 3 or 4 gartic cloves 2 tosp olive oil 1 bay leaf

1 tsp fresh or 1/2 tsp dried 1 can (475g) peeled tomatoes, roughly chopped 1/40ml dry red wine

1 packet Quom up to 1/40ml vegetable

Peel, trim and finely chop the regetables, and put them in a beavy based pan with the olive oil and herbs and cook gently until soft. This is a very important stage in the cooking, and can take 30-40 minutes. The vegetables must be absolutely collapsed. Add the tomatoes, turn up the heat, and then add the wine. Simmer has disappeared. Chop the Ouorn in a food processor or mince it in a mincer, and stir into the tomato sauce. Cook for about 10 minutes for all the flavours to blend, and stir in some stock if the mixture looks dry. Season to taste, and serve it with freshly cooked pasta. The

(Serves 4) Use a mixture of cyster and

shitake mushrooms; if possible, a few pieces of ordinary button mushrooms

6oz/170g quinca 18 fi oz/510ml water

3oz/85g butter or olive oil %lb/340g mushrooms, sliced 4 tomatoes, peeled, seeded and diced

pinch of salt

6 spring onions, trimmed and sliced

1 tbsp fresh chervil, tarragon or parsley, chopped seasoning to taste

4 sheets filo pastry 2oz/60g lightly toasted pine

Cook the quinoa in the lightly salted water, and when cooked, allow to cool. Put about 11/20z/40g butter or oil in a frying pan, and fry the mushrooms for about eight to 10 minutes. Remove and put to one side. Mix the tomatoes. spring onions and herbs with the quinoa and season to taste. nfold the filo

pastry. Melt the remaining butter, and brush each sheet with it, laying each one on top of the other. Spoon half the quinoa in a line, about 3in/7.5cm from one edge. Spoon the mushrooms on top, and then the rest of the quinoa, smoothing it over with your hands. Sprinkle the pine nuts on top. Carefully fold up the pastry, enclosing the filling, and transfer it to a lightly greased baking tray. Brush on any remaining butter, and bake in pre-heated oven at 200°C/400°F, gas mark 6 for about 25 minutes.

Here is a pudding in keeping with the previous recipes. If you like to eat puddings every day, it makes sense to look for low-fat and low-calorie alternatives to butter, cream and sugar. On balance, I prefer to eat puddings just occasionally and use the traditional ingredients rather than the ersatz. Silken tofu is one of those derivatives of the useful soya bean. It is a pale, creamy substance with little flavour of its own, and a texture like that of cream, but only 2.6 per cent fat against 48 per cent in double cream. It costs about £1.20 for a 10oz pack and, like the other ingredients I mentioned, is available from some health food shops.

Banana and rum ice

4 ripe bananas 2 tbsp rum

2 tbsp honey or more to taste juice of 1/2 lemon or 1 orange 1 packet silken tofu

pinch cinnamon or nutmeg Peel the bananas, and put them with the rest of the ingredients in a blender. Blend until smooth, and then freeze in an ice-cream maker or in a suitable container in the freezer, stirring it occasionally to break up the crystals and ensure a smooth freeze.



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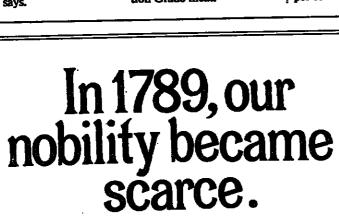
"I haven't a clue." He poured out another glass of chilled Petite Liquorelle, SAVOURING the petillant mixture of Borderux wines and fine old COGNAC. "i just asked for your hand."

"And what did he say?" "He said. The man who marries my daughter will receive a prize leyoul COMPARE:

> "So what's the problem?" "I asked to see the prize

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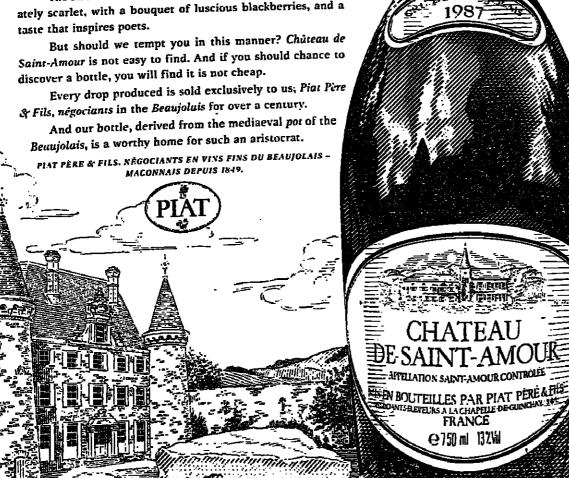
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# Holiday reading

Ian Penman

ON TOUR The British Traveller in Europe **Edited by Michael Foss** Michael O'Mara, £14.95

The spoor laid by Michael Foss's traveller leads us back to an Edenic scene before the Fail of package travel, airspace for all, Michelin and chips. Foss's fastidious selection - of travellers' writing, rather than travel writing - recalls a time when we were more attentive to our

social behaviour and etiquette.

On Tour offers a timely reminder
of a world gone by, in which travel was a subdued exploration of self and national identity. But this is not one of those inoffensive giftfor-Auntie collections (how could it be, with the ever-reliable Boswell lurking in the cast?). Derived from centuries of travel and writing, On Tour registers a sensibility based on respectful curiosity for the differences of national etiquette (as Horace Walpole puts it, "something most dissonant from our manner") - travel not as gluttony, but a gradual enrichment of

sensibility. There is some beautiful writing plain, clear, clean, without unnecessary flourish or flavour, like this, from Hazlitt: "You see the figure of a girl sitting in the sun, so still that her dress seems like streaks of red and black chalk against the wall." Without the encumbrance of ingrained snob-bery or "expertise", these are minds sharpened (not made ponderous or gooey) by their steps.

Patrick Leigh Fermor closes the book with a lamentation from the early Sixties, when already he foresees and fears the coming of tourism, in all its bulldozing arrogance. Tourism, he realizes, substitutes for the quiet enjoyment of other peoples, other lands, an entirely ersatz experience.

On Tour illustrates how the British sensibility can shed its parochialism and learn from the traditions of others. Part of the British malaise is that we cling to past roots which no longer nourish anybody's present. On Tour is not one of those cosy, embalmed collections that merely spruce up our private prejudices; it may well make you want to consider anew how you look abroad. Required







Uneasy lies the head: companions in destiny Henrietta Maria. Catherine of Braganza, Caroline of Brunswick and Queen Mary

# Double crowns

**Hugo Vickers** 

THE KING'S WIFE Five Queen Consorts By Robert Gray Secker & Warburg, £17.95

Robert Gray is the master of the concise, dry, and witty phrase, and this is what makes his dissertation on five of our Queen consorts so enjoyable. He begins with a warning from Shakespeare: "Cover your heads, and mock not flesh and blood with solemn reverence." I am not quite sure how closely he has followed it.

Gray begins with Eleanor of Aquitaine, my closest knowledge of whom was previously gleaned from Katharine Hepburn's sterling performance in The Lion in Winter. This woman of the south, or Demon Queen, married both the Kings of France and England, accompanied her lord and master on crusades, was accused of numerous affairs and other intrigues, and finally was locked up somewhere in England, literally at His Majesty's pleasure, for the King then felt free to indulge himself with his mistresses. Eleanor was set free after Henry's death, and had 15 years of liberty, and more problems with her sons and grandson.

Henrietta Maria's life was "enriched by Charles I's private virtue and wrecked by his public inadequacy", writes Gray. Likewise, Catherine of Braganza is presented as a "good, defenceless, unremarkable woman who marries a charming and powerful cad. She adores him, naturally; is abominably treated, of course ... In short Charles II reaped the rewards of a model husband while behaving like an arrant scoundrel."

With Caroline of Brunswick, the author warns us we are in for a dose of "sleazy sensationalism". He reckons that George IV and his insanitary bride were "two frightful people endeavouring, with consid-

other's lives miserable". It is hard not to feel sorry for poor Queen Caroline, despite her obvious shortcomings: her longing to marry "the finest and most handsome prince in the world", only to be confronted by the wretched Regent, averting his gaze in disgust and demanding a brandy.

According to Caroline he "passed the greatest part of his bridal-night under the grate, where he fell, and where I left him". The author clearly had an interesting time, perusing the 1,400 pages of evidence for her trial; "... servants giving evidence of this same dence for her trial; Queen's conduct in terms which will still shock, even in the liberated 20th century". Alas, Caroline was dead within a month of her frustrated attempt to attend the Coronation.

Queen Mary was a different prospect for the author. She was, he informs us, "a big potato". He explains that this was a bizarre compliment paid to her by Field Marshal Smuts, who went on to pronounce that all the other queens were "small potatoes". The reference may have been lost on the Queen's grandmother, because she was far from agriculturally minded. There is the famous story of her stay at Badminton when she looked wistfully across the fields and exclaimed: "Ah, so that is what hay looks like,"

Despite the beastly comments from the Duke of Windsor, shamingly quoted after his death, concerning the ice that ran through his mother's veins, there is little more to be said about Queen Mary. James Pope-Hennessy produced the ultimate masterpiece on her life. to which Mr Gray pays fulsome tribute. Here he gives us a nice précis of that most dutiful of royal

I suspect that Mr Gray might have been rather good on Queen Alexandra. I feel that her last years have not yet been done justice, and there are one or two survivors who saw and talked to her. I insist he

# The war that is not a

A brave, but doomed, attempt to make sense of the conflict in Northern Ireland: review by Charles Townshend

> THE DIRTY WAR By Martin Dillon Hutchinson, £16.95

This is a book with a profoundly resonant title. It vibrates with echoes of la sale guerre, the French war for Algeria, a war marked by the most pervasive terrorism of recent times, atrocity and counteratrocity, and the systematic use of official tortures, which ultimately brought France to the brink of public catastrophe. The Dirty War instantly invokes comparison with Alistair Horne's celebrated study of

Algeria, A Savage War of Peace. The comparison is no doubt unfair to Martin Dillon, but by any standards his book is a considerable disappointment. Despite its epic scale - its 500 pages are billed as the second part of a promised trilogy - it makes almost no attempt to grapple with the scale and significance of the Irish conflict. Its declared aims are more modest: "to prise open some of the issues, to unravel some of the stories which have become distorted by the propaganda of either side and to tease out the complexity of the backdrop to the war".

Fair enough, perhaps. In the circumstances of communal violence, sectarian assassinations, paramilitary organizations and clandestine "security" forces, prising open issues and unravelling stories are no mean tasks. And there is no mistaking the honesty and pertinacity - and sheer guts - with which Martin Dillon has pursued his stories. This is tough investigative journalism, and gives us state-of-the-art coverage of many mysteries, some of which have already consumed thousands of column inches, some of which are barely known.

But there is something missing. It is not just that many of the stories date from the 1970s and seem to be of marginal relevance to the 1990s, nor that even the vast profusion of characters and incidents supplied by Dillon leaves many other important cases unexamined. (The whole "shoot-to-kill" crisis is very cursorily treated.) The real problem is that as a whole this mountain of evidence is inconsequential. In one ise this is inescapable. Too much of the evidence is tainted, unconfirmable, improbable, or contradictory. One of Dillon's milder-mouthed characters bursts out at one point in the O'Doherty investigation, "He is a snivelling

bastard. I friggin' well never did than it answers". any of these things. How could you take the word of that lying bastard?" A good question. Dillon is trawling a world in which security forces and rebels alike are driven to take and act on the word of such people. He is as sound a guide through it as one could expect, but his conclusions are often lame,

we may never know..." or "perhaps some day

the truth will come out". In another sense the inconsequentiality of this book is less excusable. Readers of a hefty tome like this are entitled to expect more than a collection of ongoing inquiries. (Dillon is already updating the hypotheses he offered in the first part of his trilogy, The Shankill Butchers, published last year.) That is what the Press and broadcasting are for, books are for analysis. synthesis, reflection. In this book the issues are not prised open. The Northern Ireland conflict raises big questions, and it calls for more than a recognition that "the dirty war often generates more questions

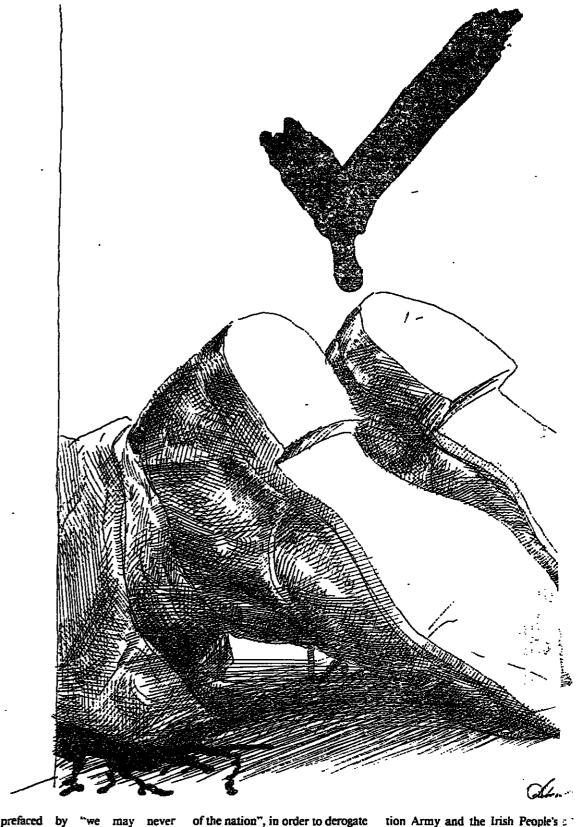
The biggest question is whether it is a war at ail. To this the conventional answer seems to be that it is neither war nor peace: more than a crime wave but less than a rebellion. We do not have legal or political terms for it. We or the Government — say that it is "an emergency threatening the life

of the nation", in order to derogate from the European Convention on Human Rights, but cannot formally declare it to be a state of emergency. Things cannot be left like this. The way in which the conflict is defined is crucial to the relationship between "terrorists" and people, and the powers and actions of the security forces. Any answer to this central ques-

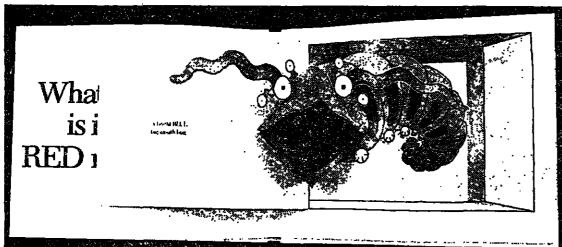
tion has to start from the contours of the conflict as a whole. Dillon's readers will get a very vague impression of this. He mentions that in South Armagh things are quite different from Belfast; he also points out that popular involvement in the conflict has declined since the 1970s, and that "terrorism has been institutionalized". Beyoud these brief remarks, the reader will have to work out from the grim litany of explosions and "executions" the texture of social and political life in the six counties since 1969. The reader is expected to be familiar with the difference between Provos and "Stickies", or between the Irish National Libera-

Liberation Organization. Such 💳 things appear to be merely in- 1. cidental to their results in blood- 2.13 shed and mayhem. We are offered \_ the view that "it is a generally ::: accepted principle that the use of =agents and informers is a necessary, 2. if not essential, means of defeating 🖃 terrorism", without any attem-1 to izsay what "terrorism" is or whether E: it is defeatable. Yet this issue is at 62. the core of any public assessment of R :: state policy. Since there is no m'... formal emergency, special security bearforces like the SAS must perforce eoperate clandestinely. Is this in the secbest interests of the rule of law?

Dillon's treatment of the actions = of such units as the Military 8:2. Reconnaissance/Reaction Force, = ... the Ulster Defence Regiment and zthe E4 section of the RUC, suggests that he does not think it is. Perhaps 25he believes that journalistic objectivity requires him not to make his 🧟 thought explicit; if so, that is a pity. Fellow journalists like Duncan Campbell or Peter Taylor have not been similarly hamstrung. If the



# Purple prose, green readers



Open your mouth and shut your eyes: plenty of colourful pop-up surprises for young bug-fans



### CHILDREN

Brian Alderson

'An impressive writing debut' Sunday Times

It is at once heartbreaking and hopeful - a novel

bursting with sincerity' Guardian

Like Toni Morrison's Beloved, it leaves you reeling,

but has to be read' Observer

A very accomplished piece of work. Genuine literary

talent. Intricately constructed and skilfully written,

Joy is a smart, assured mixture of tragedy and

wry comedy' The Listener

Impressive first novel which reveals with subtle

skill, what it was like to grow up black in America in

the forties and fifties' Daily Mail

Joy provides a rich, engaging read with plenty of

subtle wisdom and humour'

New Statesman & Society.

CENTURY

MORE BUGS IN BOXES A Pop-up Book about Colour By David A. Carter Orchard Books, £7.95

The pop-ups keep on popping up, the flap-books flapping and the fold-ups folding. Only last month an apparently new company, Messrs GoodBook, began importing a whole raft of novelties from Italy: board books with holes in them, like In the Jungle (£5.95), a panorama with one hole running all the way through, prettily called "a poke and play concertina book", Where Do You Live? (£2.50), and an ingenious "carousel book" whose pages slot together to make a three-dimensional scenic display, On the Farm (£6.95).

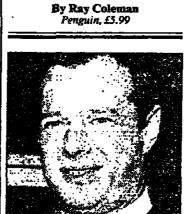
But the toy element in these creations all too easily supersedes the book element. Smooth, colourful production hardly excuses such

The fearless rhino Strong and stout Sharp pointed horn On the end of his snout

or a picture book about vehicles, with holes where the wheels are,

and much distortion elsewhere. The more reason, therefore, to welcome *More Bues in Boxes* as a pop-up which gets a proper coherence between the idea of naming a variety of colours, and the mechanism for turning it into an entertainment. As you may guess, the book is American - a successor to the equality successful How Many Bugs in a Box? - and, like that book, it mingles clever paperengineering with an absurd but inviting text. "What kind of a bug is in the gorgeous GREEN gift box?" asks the author, and when you fold open the wrapping up comes "A loopy little LAVENDER bug".

Mr Carter doesn't see why a book for primary readers should be restricted to primary colours, and among the assorted containers that he produces we have a doublewrapped brown and beige box containing a bug-within-a-bug, and a fast-flying fuchsia box, containing a snazzy, silver Spitfire bug. You can almost chew the words as you progress from one surprise to another - and when you get to the end there is a last monumental popup eight inches high, to bring things to an appropriate painterly climax.



How to

be a

Beatle

Joseph Connolly

**BRIAN EPSTEIN: The** 

Man Who Made The

Beatles

Beautiful and dutiful: Epstein

The name is pronounced Epsteen: from school days on, Brian was most particular about this, as he was about everything else. In this engaging and diligently researched biography, he is constantly recalled as appearing as if he had "just stepped out of the shower" or as having "just had a bath"; this I take to mean that he always looked not so much dripping wet as downright

Epstein was the eldest son of a prosperous Jewish Liverpool family whom he failed to please by leaving Oxford and deciding that he did not want to pursue law, the Jewish religion or business, but rather fancied the idea of Catholicism and designing dresses. He attended RADA, but dropped that too. A reluctant homosexual, Epstein was seen by his mother Queenie to be "beautiful and dutiful" and by the marriageconscious local Jewish girls (when word got out) as the "Immaculate Deception". The first thing (and, one feels ultimately, the only thing) that Epstein felt wholly committed to was the Beatles, and he simply set about devoting 24 hours a day to making them "bigger than

Epstein was from the beginning besotted with John Lennon (who, at the time, lived in Menlove Avenue) and tolerated his endless gibes, a mild example being Lennon's suggestion for the title of Epstein's autobiography: "How about Queer Jew, Bri?". The possibility of a one-off sexual liaison between the two has been endlessly debated, but in this book on balance rejected. Although none of the recollections come from the Beatles themselves, what shines through is Epstein's scrupulous honesty and commitment. He lived for his mother (he telephoned her every night of his life), the Beatles, Cilla Black and Gerry Marsden (of the Pacemakers): this was his family, and all, in their way,

seemed devoted to him. Alas, he became dogged by "Jewish guilt" and "homosexual guilt" and soon his life declined into a rather depressing catalogue of boyfriends on the make, and excessive drink and drugs. An overdose led to his death in 1967 at the age of 32, but Coleman very convincingly leads us away from the idea of deliberate suicide - his plans for the future were well known to all. One may argue that the Beatles would have been huge whoever was managing them, but Epstein's unswerving dedication his innate desire to be a Beatle made him understand both the group and the fans like no one else. That Brian Epstein was the very first Beatlemaniac is exemplified on the occasion of their first No 1 hit: he was starry eyed. "Can

"be more

anything," he asked,

# Death and the

This is a week for those hankering after the exotic. With the exception of Edmund Crispin, these are all crime novels with heroes and heroines (professional and amateur sleuths) memorable more for their eccentric behaviour and characteristics than for the meticulous elimination of clues and suspects. The emphasis is on outlandish personalities, offbeat backgrounds,

unlikely plots.
The characters, in order of appearance, are: an Oxford don, owner of an enormous raincoat and extraordinary hats; a tall, black beautiful daughter of a UN diplomat; a professional private eye making a strange living in Nazi Germany; and a blonde rock singer involved in tales of night-club mayhem. An eccentric Englishman, a Berliner, a half "Senanganese", and a Czech provide a heady international background.

The reissue of Edmund Crispin's Swan Song (first published in 1947)

Breaking the silence in the garden, Mrs Rolleston says, without apparent irony: "We are the Jews of Ireland." There are no bitter herbs on her sabbath table, but the Rollestons and their cousin/ governess Sarah Pollexsen have fallen into William Trevor's characteristic "bitter world". The old Protestant ascendancy is breaking apart and, forced to wander and to fight unwanted wars, the family begins to crumble; sons stand ineffectually in poses struck by fathers, play captains and kings in boarding-house bedrooms, and refuse to see the irony. Only Sarah's ledger-book diary, always at one remove from events, is a reliable accounting of what is going on.

Trevor's most effective method is what movie makers call slow dissolve. By contrast, Jennifer Johnston works in sharp close-up, straightforwardly. In The Captains and the Kings (Penguin, £3.99), her subject is broadly the same, an Anglo-Irish family riven by the

is a splendid reminder of the intricate craft involved in creating a superior locked room mystery. Crispin provides neatly observed characters, clues honestly preoutrageous and satisfying and a in splendidly offhand opening which sets the tone for what is to follow. 'There are few creatures more stupid than the average singer. It would appear that the fractional ! adjustment of larynx, glottis and sinuses required in the production of beautiful sounds must almost invariably be accompanied - so 1: perverse are the habits of Providence — by the witlessness of a harnyard fowl." Gervase Fen, casually brought in by a member of the 1. company about to perform the first Wagnerian work since before the war, has to unravel two murders, to cope with the unpredictability of the artistic temperament, and at a tempt to encourage the course of

First World War, and both book look back directly to the very hard origins of Irish writing in Maria Edgeworth's haunted Castle Rack; rent. Mr Prendergast, fatally in fected with nostalgia, is left alone. with a silent gardener and with his memories, until young Diarmic comes along and restores a measure. of vitality. It is a less subth portrayal of disintegration than Trevor's, but this was Jennife's Johnston's first novel (written it 1971) and his umpreenth.

Both write about worlds in which men (real captains and kings) significantly absent. The "contemporary" stories collected in Territories of the Voice (Virago, £5.99. make a similar effort. The title comes from Moya Cannon's poen Taom", in which she talks of the "small unassailable words/tha;

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## war

Mr Hall prefaces his first chapter with this verse: "Remember me when I was gone away/Gone far away into the silent land /For now I leave behind me a dream/That is for ever Greyfriars." This he cheerfully attributes "After Christina Rossetti and Rupert Brooke". From the outset, then, you are made aware that you are in the company of a man who has heard a different drummer from the rest of us.

That drummer was Charles Hamilton, alias Frank Richards, alias Owen Conqeust, alias Martin Clifford, Ralph Redway, Hilda Richards, a man who on every day of his adult life wrote 6,000 words and once, pushed, 18,000 words. Three thousand characters flicker in this astonishing output, among them Billy Bunter, Mr Quelch and Harry Wharton.

This book, in form a biography, appears under the imprint of the Wharton Press, a publishing house which has probably never brought out a book before and perhaps never will again. Mr Hall, a retired accountant, lives in Wharton Lodge. So it is an impertinence to review this book, for it is not really a biography at all but one man's record of a very old gentleman who captured his imagination long ago and whose hold on it has not relaxed. You are on hallowed

But there is a wonderful DIY air about the whole enterprise as figures unknown to literary London, clearly Mr Hall's friends, get wheeled on to pass judgement. A Dr Franglen says of Hamilton's

## Housekeepers, bungalows, and deadlines

**Byron Rogers** 

I SAY, YOU FELLOWS By Maurice Hall Wharton Press, £14.95

mother, who seems to have changed her name as the whim took her, from Mary Anne to Marion to Marianne, she was "a determined social climber".

Titanic struggles, again hitherto unknown, are mentioned, "We now reach a point where con-troversy was to break out; it has continued without slackening to this day." This refers to the occasion when a man called John Nix Pentelow, editor of the Magnet, wrote a story under one of Hamilton's many aliases and airily killed off one of his characters in the course of it.

Such substitute stories were not uncommon, as Hamilton virtually wrote the whole of the Magnet and the Gem; when he caught a cold the

fortunes of two weekly mass circulation magazines hung in the balance. A cloud descended on the Amalgamated Press. But none of the substitute writers had dared kill off the dramatis personae before.

You must forgive the metaphors and the short sentences; they tend to enter the blood when a man reads Frank Richards. Glints of suspicion enter the eyes; clouds settle on faces. Nobody ever says anything they roar or thunder or, in the case of Bunter, ejaculate. Mr Hall has drunk deeply of this well, for the paragraphs spring full-formed like Athene from his skull (classical allusion was Frank's great joy).

"William George Bunter was now ready to stretch his legs. Would they be strong enough to lift this leviathan into the sky and into the annals of schoolboy fiction?" That's metaphor for you, boy. And this again when, aged 20, he first meets Richards/Hamilton (Chap-ter 15. I meet Charles Hamilton), "a little black skull cap on his head, crumpled corduroy trousers, dark

"Maybe Duleepsinhji's cap is

of "only mediocre ability". Those

that can, do: those that can't.

collect. And what a cornucopia of

collectibles there is to choose from:

a picture of W. G. Grace walking

out to bat made entirely from

match-sticks, an 1898 cast-iron

cigar cutter featuring Ranjitsinhji.

dressing gown, pipe in hand, an aura of his indefinable greatness wrapped around him like an in-

There is none of the wariness here of modern criticism and literary reviewing, Mr Hall does not wait to see what his neighbour thinks, Fashionable opinions and prizes are elsewhere, and you are with him in a cosy bunker dedicated to the memory of a strange gentleman about whose life we know little more than we do about Shakespeare's.

Who, when he needed to think, sat in a boat (and had a pond, complete with boat, set into the garden of his bungalow); who never revealed what school he himself went to: who loved the Classics and translated "Waltzing Matilda" and "The Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze" into Latin. As for the rest it was just housekeepers, more bungalows, and deadlines.

But the structure of the book is

the author's pilgrimage. After his hero's death Mr Hall finds in his study the boys' magazines which Hamilton had kept (he had to buy his own copies from a newsagent), issues out of the Golden Age but "tattered, often torn and loosely tied with string in little bundles' And it is clear from their condition that they had not meant that much to Hamilton.

Yet even this does not dent his faith. As retirement finally comes, accountant can record his tribute to a man who made him happy when he was young. You do not often come on books like this.



## Flourishing times

A labourer from Tewkesbury, William Colley, said in 1691: "There is no king in England but James. And where is one for King William there is two for King James in England if there were occasion." Nor did such attitudes obligingly fade away. Even in 1746 Jeffery Battersby, a shoemaker from Bury in Lan-cashire, risked dire penalties by declaring that: "King George has no more right to the Crown than you or I have and that King James had the only right thereto. And you will see he will come to the Throne and then we shall have flourishing

Such attitudes were not just the high theory of Oxford common rooms: they were vividly proletarian. And they lasted: across the country, for half a century after the Revolution of 1688, mobs rioted to cries of "No Hanover", Restoration, a Stuart, High Church and Ormonde", "No King George, King James the Third", "Down with the Rump", "Down with the Roundheads". Memories were long; repression was vicious and bloody. This is the first scholarly book to recover the concrete detail of daily life in an England torn by principled conflict.

It finds its evidence for Jacobitism not in political conspiracies and diplomatic manoeuvres, not even in ideology: these were for the few. Monod looks instead to "words, images, forms of behav-iour" at local level — propaganda, commemorative artefacts, riots, the seditious outbursts of plebeians, the social rituals of the gentry, the social profile of those who

Far from being the preserve of a few romantic or reactionary elitists, Jacobitism was widespread throughout society, and pointed towards proletarian subversion as much as stable hierarchy. Far from being anti-modernist, Jacobites tried - like George III, Queen victoria, the presidents of many republics and even the Communist Party of the Soviet Union - to promote unity by dignifying authority and magnifying its mythic component. The Stuarts sought to do this in one way, the Hanoverians in another. James II and George IV were almost equally inept at this task: it was really thanks to Victoria that all lines converged in Walter Bagehot.

Modern sensibilities then subtly

Jonathan Clark JACOBITISM AND THE ENGLISH PEOPLE,

1688-1788 By Paul Kleber Monod Cambridge, £30 distorted the nature of Jacobitism.

Nineteenth-century Tories saw its hard realities through the lens of Romanticism: 19th-century Whigs turned sturdy native forms into threats to masculinity and Englishness, and so, through guilt by association, made Jacobitism the

enemy of modernity.

A doctrine so morally depraved and politically extreme, Whigs implied, could only be the property of a small minority. But, replied the Romantics, what a splendid, dashing minority!

Between them, Romantics and revolutionary modernists established a mental framework in which Jacobitism could only look silly, or insignificant, or both. It was as if historians in the 22nd century were so preoccupied by issues of gender and environment that they squeezed socialism of their map of the 20th century. Was it not mere Utopian fantasy? Could it ever have worked?

Yet grown men still become apoplectic about Jacobitism. Writing in The Independent recently, Hugh Trevor-Roper railed against what he imagined were the opin-ions of his former colleagues at Peterhouse, that "the Revolution of 1688 was a crime, the Enlightenment a disaster"; that some had acclaimed the Old Pretender as really King James III; that, in some unexplained way, these views went with beliefs "that 'the wrong side' won the First World War and that Hitler should have been allowed to win the Second".

There is no future in arguing with anyone persuaded by a non sequitur balanced on a fantasy. But it is important that we see that the recovery of quite different forms of thought and commitment in past centuries is still profoundly offensive to at least one present-day outlook that seeks to appropriate the title "liberal".

Historians must beware: they are playing a dangerous game when they raise the standard of rebellion against latter-day Whig tyranny.

## Friend or foe?

The long-standing love-hate relationship between the English and the French, when coupled with the more recent internal divisions that have plagued France since the Revolution, make her our un-comfortable and often misunderstood neighbour. Never was this more so than during the undeclared war between us that was waged with such bitterness from the Franco-German armistice in July 1940 until the assassination of Admiral Darlan on Christmas Eve

It was largely a naval war, and who better to re-probe the events of that difficult period in Anglo-French relations than Warren Tute? Historian and historical novelist, he served in the Royal Navy from 1932 to 1946, but so loved France that he retired to a small village in south-west France, where he died before this book was published, in what was once called la France anglaise. He was on Eisenhower's staff in Algiers, where Darlan was shot down by Bonnier

de la Chapelle. Tute doubts whether we will ever understand each other. Divided as by language, thought processes, and the antagonisms of history, neither has any real conception of the values, ways of life, and spiritual texture of the other. This does not mean that we cannot be good neighbours: but understanding

each other is quite another matter. In 1940 understanding collapsed completely. The failure of the French to fight on from their North African empire was incomprehensible to us. The wish of the majority of French soldiers and sailors to go home was understandable, but the attitude of the French higher commands was invariably misappreciated in London.

Tute's account of the unfortunate clashes between a beleaguered Britain and a prostrate France brings out the full flavour of the

William Jackson

THE RELUCTANT **ENEMIES** By Warren Tute Collins, £16

misappreciations, misunderstandings and, indeed, duplicity on both sides. The destruction of the French fleet at Mers-el-Kebir, the Dakar fiasco, the British invasion of Syria, and the subsequent seizure of Madagascar, all led to the final denouement of the Anglo-American landings in French North Africa, which triggered Hitler's occupation of the whole of France, the scuttling of the French fleet at Toulon, and the death of Darlan.

The most telling parts of this book are the well-structured pen pictures of the interaction of the many complex personalities involved. Darlan as head of the French armed forces and Pétain's heir apparent plays the villain of the piece. Scion of a long-established naval family — his great grandfather was killed at Trafalgar in the Redoubtable, from the foretop of which the shot was fired that fatally wounded Nelson - he was overtly anti-German, but intuitively anti-British, and a man to whom political intrigue came

naturally. The tragedy of Tute's story lies, as he says, in the way in which the great majority of the French people willingly gave their allegiance to a dotard, who gravely misled them, not, as they claim, for the sake of honour, but because of a lamentable lack of moral courage. Only after the American entry into the war and Hitler's defeat before Moscow did the Resistance become

a hesitant reality.

This book, lightly and skilfully written, is a fitting epitaph to Warren Tute's literary career.

One Wisden (1957), slightly foxed; Gunn and Moore bat with which author made top score (11\*2) for Connaught House School versus Hill Brow; seven-seat bench forjoyous thing merly in Mound Stand, possibly sat on by author, mother, and younger brother, Middlesex versus Lancs c. 1953, structurally sound though could do lick of paint; one jock strap, MCC colours, specially de-signed by David Cull, still in use. Not much of a job lot to the really serious collector of cricketana, but

all my own. Any self-respecting household should be able to boast something similar, for the hoarding of things to do with cricket is, as this book so vividly demonstrates an essential part of the English character. If a chap can't keep a straight bat, he'll never bowl a

something that should never be worn out of doors," say the authors, Warner's England v Australia 1911: in a brilliantly coded message accessible only to those who have been well and truly suckered by the world's second greatest game, "but collecting is a happy joyous thing". It is reassuring to learn that the greatest collectors, with the obvious exceptions of Barlow, Rockley Wilson, and Appleyard, are players

Happily most cricketing collectibles come cheaper than these. A team of 12 enamelied batsmen

quite-golliwogs.
So the field is wide open. You could have got the ball that Clarrie Grimmet used when taking nine for 74 against Cambridge in 1934 for £110. I think I know when I am on to a good thing. Item: one MCC jock strap. Do I hear ten guineas?

## happy

Tim Heald

THE WISDEN BOOK OF CRICKET MEMORABILIA By Marcus Williams and Gordon Phillips Lennard Publishing, £25

12 bound in kangaroo, J. M. W. Turner's "Wells Cathedral with a Game of Cricket", and Pissarro's "Cricket at Bedford Park". The Turner is at Port Sunlight, but the Pissarro is in Paris. French cricket should let us have it back. A case for Mr Palumbo?

lapel badges for Surrey issued by Robertsons, the jam people, went for a mere £140 at Phillips in 1986; an incomplete version of Lamp-lough's Gold Medal Model Cricket realized £75 at Christie's a year later; a silver marine-type deskpiece inkwell, presented by Lord Ashton, President of Lanhire CCC to the captain. Lt Co. L. Green, to commemorate the county's third successive championship, fetched only £260 in the same sale as the 12 Robertson not-

#### interminable attempt to realize a deathless dream.

dirt is ultimately going to stick to

the state and rot the conventions of

political conduct, that is a public

issue which must be confronted.

Dillon's refusal to engage looks all the odder in the light of the fiercely

engaged foreword contributed to

his book by Conor Cruise O'Brien.

L'eme that "pervades the story of

the dirty war" - complicity -

O'Brien mounts a biting assault on

the "liberal" hypocrisy of Irish

public discussion of Northern Ire-

land security operations, "Few of

the media voices which have been

so vocal about the Stalker Report

etc., would be heard from about

excesses of repression against the

IRA if the IRA campaign were

going on down here. This type of

liberalism is for export only." This

is cruel but it is thought-provoking.

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revenge which for most people has

been the only outcome of this

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## he course of true love

CRIME

#### Lisanne Radice

**SWAN SONG** By Edmund Crispin Mysterious Press, £3.50 PENNY PINCHING By Susan Moody Penguin, £3.50 MARCH VIOLETS By Philip Kerr Penguin, £3.99 SINS FOR FATHER KNOX By Josef Skyorecky

In Penny Pinching, six foot tall Penny Wanawake, in California with her jewel thief lover, doesn't care for the coincidence that the body on the terrace could be that of be asked to find the murderers of a her twin sister, nor that her diplomat father and his friend seem to have suddenly disappeared. Strange corpses and dubious political shenanigans linked to past scandals complicate the search for the missing pair as Susan Moody presents a witty, offbeat plot enriched by such notable characters as the 200lb Eve: "Although she sat quite still there seemed to be a lot of emotions surging around inside her massive body, pressing against breast and thigh and upper arm,

March Violets is the debut of crime writer Philip Kerr, and I hope the first of many. The setting is 1930s Berlin at the time of the Olympics where the hero, ex-cop and now private eye, Bernie Gunther, has more work than he can manage — missing persons is a booming business in Hitler's Germany. As a change he is intrigued to

eager to emerge and start causing

German industralist's daughter and her husband, as well as a stolen diamond necklace. Philip Kerr not only provides a wonderfully sharp and satirical Philip Marlowe in his laid back, wise-cracking Berlin shamus, but also a plot that is highly original. His descriptions of Nazi Germany catch the full flavour of a society uneasily aware of what has been unleashed but comforting itself in a blind pretence

which fails to come off.

that times will improve. The Josef Skvorecky offering is a con. The publishers imply on the cover that we are about to be entertained by the lugubrious antics of his previous hero, the skirt-chasing Lieutenant Boruvka, Instead the reader is presented with traveiling night-club singer Eve

Adam in a series of somewhat tired adventures loosely based on a skit on Father Knox's "Detective Story Decalogue", an intriguing concept

Fans of the late Margery Allingham will remember Miss Jessica Palinrode, heroine of More Work for the Undertaker, who wore a cardboard hat and lived off sheep's head broth and wild garlic gathered from bomb sites. In her own quiet way she was caring for the earth's resources; but today's town dwellers need a more comprehensive and up-to-date guide to How to be Green

Cigar cutter: with Ranjitsinhji

Woman's Own household hints, only written for the under-sixes. Nor is it exclusively concerned with green projects - perhaps having to find a whole 1,001 green activities to save the planet was too great a task. So here you are told to relax, should you suffer from stress, to move your fridge when you clean your kitchen, and to keep your car car, very green).

book, of a singularly inept Ministry of Information booklet; the alternative suggests a lot of money.

snatched unsympathetically by all living political parties, their vote plunging dismally as Mrs Thatcher hosts ozone conferences, and her advisers talk about the possibility for economically acceptable sus-tainable development. Stuart Mc-Burney and Jeremy Seabrook both attack this idea, and McBurney makes a heartfelt case for its impossibility. As with most deep greens, he sees mankind's career as one long Fall, and is all for going back to palaeolithic (or earlier)

was man's capacity to conceptualize. This displaced man's intuitive experience of the planet,

## A bout of green spleen

Anna Bramwell

1001 WAYS TO SAVE THE PLANET By Bernadette Vallely Penguin, £4.99 THE MYTH OF THE MARKET By Jeremy Scattrook Green Books, £6.50 ECOLOGY INTO ECONOMICS WON'T GO By Stuart McBurney Green Books, £6.95

and led to the hunt for profit. Sometimes one feels that ideologues should live as they talk — but it is hard to be palaeolithic all by yourself, and McBurney has my sympathy in his sincere and touching pursuit, though why his dedicatees should include Jimi Hendrix and John Lennon I cannot

As usual with these deep ecologists, capitalism is seen as the source of environmental ills. Both writers attack the international trading system, but for Jeremy Scabrook the approach is moral rather than structural. To him, the most striking image of capitalism is Michael Ryan, the lone gunman of Hungerford, Individualism is the evil to be fought, and Scabrook fights it with a muddled spleen.

Unfortunately, this can go down well with the brightest intellectuals. They swallowed it over the profit motive as agent of planeticide. So long as they can make enough to go on buying their brake linings and solar-powered ventilators.



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## ion of outsiders

**Brian Morton** 

THE SILENCE IN THE GARDEN By William Trevor Penguin, £4.99

diminish Caesars". Its purpose is unabashediy feminist and the best of the stories - Anne Devlin's "Naming the Names", Eithne Strong's "The Bride of Christ", Jennifer Johnston's "Trio", and Margaret Barrington's "Village Without Men" - are unassailably compact and powerful, very much in the tradition of Irish short story writing. However, it's hard to see Margaret Barrington and Elizabeth Bowen as "contemporary" writers. It's more disturbing to see Bowen,

by far the best short story writer in English after James, Hemingway and Joyce, and a confident modern exponent of Edgeworth's "big house" material, sink further into an undeserved status as an "anthology" writer, adaptable to half a dozen publishers' rubrics.

Who Ever Heard of an Irish Jew? (Corgi. £2.99) is the title of David Marcus's collection of stories (the most famous Irish literary character of modern times was just such a hippogriff, which is presumably Marcus's point). Like Joyce's Poldy Bloom in Ulysses, Monty Levinson is a commercial traveller, but with a mind that works rather more like Molly Bloom's. "Monty's Monday" is a miniature Bloomsday of lust and evasion, beautifully gauged. "Ancestral Voices", "St Patrick was a Jew?" and the title

story examine what it means to be a special kind of insider in a nation of outsiders. Bernard MacLaverty writes bril-

more tongue-in-check "My Kyak and the Coming of the Messiah" as a footnote to Joyce's "The Dead". timate loneliness.

liantly about loneliness and alien-ation in The Great Profundo and Other Stories (Penguin, £3.99). His "Death of a Parish Priest" sits intriguingly alongside Marcus's In "Words the Happy Say" a fragment of Emily Dickinson and calligraphy draw two lonely people together. In "Across the Street" it is music that forges the link, wind and breath making connections where touch will not. In the title story, a sword swallower, once immortalized by Matisse in a sequence of lithographs as L'Avaleur de Sabres, is reduced to performing for the drunken students of the Eccentrics Genuine Club, his art reduced to freakishness, a repeated illusion of wilful self-destruction. The ulUnfortunately, Bernadette Vallely's book reads more like

brakes in working order (driving a Being green involves weighing up conflicting imperatives, but calculating resource use is not Vallely's forte. She tells us that gas is "greener" than electricity, though no calculation is offered to prove it. There is a flaw, though. Gas can cause respiratory ailments in children. Vallely's solution? To open a window, or to use a solar-powered ventilation system. The first suggestion has a ring, as does much of this

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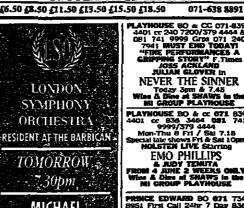
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A Month in the Country Song of the Earth Covent Garden

REAL age is not necessarily relevant in the theatre; witness, for instance, Simon Rice's convincing performance as a schoolboy in Thursday's revival of A Month In The Country. However, her appearance does effectively prevent Sylvie Guillem from playing the heroine, Natalia Petrovna, as wrote the role, a woman who sees life and love slipping past her.

Instead, she suggests simply that passionate feelings have overwhelmed her for the first time, after a marriage devoted to mediocre pursuits: running a house for her elderly husband and flirting mildly with her admirer Rakitin. She plays this unorthodox approach very well, especially in showing vividly that she can no more endure Rakitin's touch. She also dances Ashton's steps as expressively as usual, with her own intelligent phrasing.

Guillem would have got away with it if she had played opposite one of the Royal Ballet's gifted and personable young men as the tutor she becomes infatuated with. Anthony Dowell, the role's creator, would do the ballet a service by passing it on now, aithough the wig helps his appearance, his movements have lost their legato suppleness. Verek Rencher's absence could have enabled him to move gracefully into playing Rakitin, although then we would have missed seeing Jeremy Sheffield's sympathetic account of the

This work replaced the postponed première of Bintley's The

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Sinfonia Eroica

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MICHELE Anne de Mey differs

from a great many other choreog-

raphers of her generation inas-

much as she is happy to tell her

audience in a programme note just

what the theme of her ballet is. But

even if she had failed to do so, her

message would have been clear.

Sinfonia Eroica, being given two performances at The Place this

week after appearing at the Glas-

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arithmetical and emotional fact

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Varia in Brussels: Sinfonia Eroica

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of a ladder, at the start of the

De Mey is one of the pioneers of

Planets. It thus aborted what should have been the company's most interesting musical juxtaposition all season: Holst and Mahler.

John Lanchbery, recuperating from medical treatment, stepped in bravely at short notice to replace the late Ashley Lawrence as conductor, and injuries in the company played havoc with the intended cast for Song Of The Earth. In the circumstances, it is not surprising that this was not one of the ballet's more rewarding performances. Darcy Bussell, new to the central role, looked sometimes rather promising from the

waist up but her movements lacked weight and expression. Antony Dowson made a solid substitute for the leading man; Bruce Sansom could afford to put more menace into his movements as the Messenger of Death.



Antony Dowson, Bruce usom and Darcey Bussell in Song of the Earth

considerably, from comedy to

athleticism to a tender eroticism.

Sometimes the women form

groups, sometimes the men, but

even at moments when the whole

company is performing in joyous

unison, after a few phrases, one

The women change their clothes

group member will break away.

and footwear at frequent intervals

and this underlines the exclusion

of the one woman who generally

contrives to be differently dressed.

Finally, when all the women are

wearing light-coloured dresses -

even the odd-girl-out - the men

start to douse them with buckets

of water. Shrieking and laughing.

other until the stage is awash. Only

the outsider has remained in the

dry and when she appears among

her drenched fellow dancers they

wet as they.

performance.

Theatre: Peter Hall's enthralling new production of The Wild Duck at the Phoenix, reviewed by Jeremy Kingston

Ibsen revealed in bruising confrontations

ith his characteristic boldness in following through an idea that other directors might consider too obvious to contemplate, Peter Hall emphasizes the confrontational essence of lbsen's play by repeatedly placing his arguing characters face to face. There they stand, usually centre-

tage, Hjalmar opposite Gregers, Gregers opposite his father. Hjalmar staring at Gina, Gregers stared at by Dr Relling - not exactly nose-to-nose, but nose pointing unwaveringly at nose, like those ingenious drawings that contrive to be two faces or the stem of a goblet, depending on how your eyes

These confrontations could be fussily broken up by advising one actor to wander upstage or circle moodily round a stool, but Hall has no truck with petty disguises. What each character says in these scenes is of equal weight. One of them may be wrong - though wretched Gregers, with his naive notions of spiritual honesty, is scarcely ever right - and by setting them against each other like armoured knights at a tourney, the idea of the play as a battleground is constantly renewed.

Benedict Nightingale pointed out on this page on Thursday, is fraught with danger and can be fatal when urged upon a man against his will. Gregers and Hjalmar are the first pair to confront each other, when the elderly guests at old Mr Werle's sumptuous dinner have departed to drink maraschino. Alex Jennings's

The search for self-fulfilment, as

Hjalmar, not really at ease in rooms hung with purple velvet, and the only man wearing a black tie, is just self-confident enough not to finger it. Plump, stiffbacked and head high, he is confronted by David Threlfall's

hunched and skinny Gregers - the only character oblivious to food and drink.

In Jennings's voice one can plainly hear the rhythms of the vounester whose recitations of dramatic poetry melted every-one's heart. When the scene changes to his photographic studio, and Werle's half-seen diningroom becomes the half-seen loft where the wild duck dwells in the make believe forest, Jennings's voice takes on the defensive tone of the compulsive self-dramatist which, in moments of alarm, will be strangled into a nasal bleat. It is a superbly convincing, and repeatedly funny, portrait of a man who has been cossetted since child-

Women have done most of the cossetting, but clearly old Werle's handouts will not be refused, so long as he can adopt a noble posture while accepting them. The fractional hesitation before des cribing as "unpretentious" the case owned by Gina's mother suggests his awareness that "dubious" or "accommodating" might describe it better.

What the production also convincingly shows is his happy domestic life, a vital element in the play. Nichola McAuliffe's Gina clearly loves her husband. and she graces her performance with telling gestures of wifely care. while Maria Miles's wide-eyed Hedvig murmurs "You're so kind", when he is gracious enough to accept some gift. Gina's devotion to her is exactly caught by the impatient slap she pulls back at the last second, so that she strikes herself instead.

This is the household that the meddling Gregers destroys, doing so with his mealy, urgent voice, like that of a hippy rotted on acid.



Nose-to-nose: Nichola McAnliffe, Alex Jennings and Maria Miles in The Wild Duck

When he puts to Hedvig the idea of sacrificing the wild duck, wrapping the suggestion in words like "strong-minded", and fixing her with his loopy eyes, a murmer of fascinated horror ripples round the audience. The only difficulty with this performance is that it leaves him nowhere to go when

the tragedy bursts, as though he is too stoned to take it in.

With fine performances from Alan Dobie's Werle, a volcano not yet burnt out, Frances Cuka's Mrs Sorby and Terence Rigby's Wedekind-like Relling, this is as perfect an Ibsen as one has a right

Aimost too perfect? It seems grudging to say so, but at times it does seem too carefully measured, which is why Lionel Jeffries' reappearances as Old Ekdal, delightfully signalling dither, are a refreshment. Oddly enough, this is a production that may become even better as it starts to unravel.

## Moral fables from ancient Bunyan and early Miller

tightrope, crouches the outsider, THEATRE drawn to the games of the couples, but never really a part of them.

The mood of the piece varies

Michael Wright

The Pilgrim's Progress Battersea

THIS sparse production of Bunyan's religious allegory, adapted for the stage by Robin Brooks, reflects the Empty Space Theatre Company's credo: "We believe in actors and imagination". They supply four of the former, but the audience is required to provide a hefty quota of the latter. (The mention of Twycroft Zoo in the programme-credits seems promising, but the expected lions never appear.) It takes a strong mind to there is little, but our imaginations are assisted by vibrant characterizations from the small cast.

Paul Casselle's portrayal of tenderly damp her face and roll Christian (The Pilgrim) is an her in the puddles until she is as immaculate conception. No soapy adventurer he, but a rugged, balding fellow with a grumpy face The piece lasts about an hour and a powerful whiff of l'homme and 20 minutes and is thoroughly absorbing. The surprising choice moven about him. Andrew St of music works well, and although John (playing Evangelist, who some of the movement is predictelse?), booms out as if a contraable, much of it is not. De Mey is bassoon is concealed in his vocal well served by her dancers who cords; Kathleen Campbell sparkles a pair of dazzling green eyes; bring the work to seemingly spontaneous life and provide a Charlotte Winner acts primarily challenge for her own central with a versatile chin and fluttering

Together they make a fine ensemble, accompanying the action with various groans and drones, like sewers gurgling forth effluent woe. Occasionally they produce snatches of Bunyan's hymn "He Who Would Valiant Be", which recurs throughout as a

leitmotiv. The singing is not

lovely, however. Fine moments among Andrew Holmes's impressively fluent staging are the oozy gloom of the Slough of Despond; Christian's vivid battle with Apollyon (terrifying); and best of all, the seething frenetic activity of Vanity

But isolated scenes do not make up for an overall lack of dramatic power, especially in the thin first half, the gargoyles are splendid, but the architecture is drab.

The sum total is an attractive curiosity rather than the "immediate modern drama" touted by Empty Space's optimistic press

Bunyan still looks happier on the page than on the stage.

MARILYN KINGWILI

The Pilgrim's Progress: Andrew St John and Paul Casselle

Harry Eyres

The Man Who Had All The Luck **Bristol Old Vic** 

WITH this early work, the Arthur Miller (UK) bandwagon rolls into Bristol. The play is a fable about the perils of good fortune, which is both a reversal of the Book of Job and a precursor of later plays such as Death of a Salesman and The Price. The original production on Broadway in 1944 lasted only four nights, but Miller was not prepared to write it off as a failure; he says he has revised the ending 20 times since then. The present version dates from 1988, Sadly, Paul Unwin's production, strong around the fringes but hollow in the middle, fails to make a

compelling case for it. The plot concerns the two Beeves brothers. David is lucky in everything he attempts - love, the garage business, mink-breed-– while Amos fails as a baseball player, having been overcoached by his doting father. The crucial point, which fails to come across in Iain Glen's David, full of ingenu charm but strangely frail and under-powered, is that good luck causes him acute anxiety.

In the novel which preceded the play, inability to accept his good fortune leads to madness and suicide. Such self-destructiveness seems perverse, but has to be seen in the context of the 1929 crash, which, retrospectively, gave a doom-laden quality to all success. A telling moment in the first act occurs when David is congratulated for a repair effected by a mysterious stranger, instead of a moral dilemma we are presented with arch situation comedy.

Humour wins hands down over moral conflict in this production. Barry Stanton as J.B. Feller, a drunken store-keeper of the same breed as the doctor in Stage Coach, gives a vivid performance, while Christopher Ettridge marvellously creates a convincing persona for Gus, the Austrian immigrant, who is also a personification of fortune.

The non-naturalistic aspects of the play are highlighted by Sally Crabb's clever sets, which show themselves up as constructions, and Andy Sheppard's striking music, used to emphasize the strokes of outrageous fortune. Paul Unwin's grasp of the elusive Miller mixed style cannot be faulted; it is the content which seems to have escaped him. Those who enjoyed Rudi Davies's performance in Andrea Newman's A Sense of Guilt can see her replay it as David's wife Hester, this talented actress should not be content to repeat mannerisms.

## Money to the wind

TELEVISION Jasper Rees

"IF IT'S got wings it's a plane,"

said someone when asked to lay to rest a dispute as to whether a Sunderland, a vehicle which floats and flies, is a boat or an aircraft. In fact, the Sunderland was not the only thing that was airborne in "Edward's Flying Boat," part one of Short Stories (Channel 4), a new documentary series which gives a chance to first-time directors. Edward, himself, seemed to have his head in the clouds. Where else could it have been when, down on the ground, the rest of

him was signing away the family's

seven-figure fortune in order to

indulge a boyish whim? Sometimes people make gentle films in homage to this classic car or that vintage train, but in the best examples of the genre the rusty hunk of metal is only an excuse to make a film that is anything but a homage. This was one of them, as the main point of interest in Catherine Adler's little gem of a documentary was not the magnificence of the flying machine but the loopiness of the man

who owns it. When Edward Hulton inherited the wealth built up by his father in the publishing empire responsible for giving the world such titles as The Eagle and Picture Post, no one could understand why he sank a fat slice of it into a majestic old Sunderland, the last of its kind.

His first wife could not, and left him; nor can his second: "I, for one, certainly don't want to be poor," she grandly announced to the camera, though it looks as if she is going to be.

Edward's explanation was that losing money was in the blood; his grandparents had lost all their possessions in the Russian Revolution. Perhaps an atavistic memory of this injustice made Edward wary of his indispensable chief mechanic Peter, whom he suspected of being "rather left-wing". And perhaps this was why he claimed not to feel "welcome in my own property."

Certainly, there was a subversive side to Peter, no mean eccentric himself, who piratically talked to an eagle-pigeon hybrid on his shoulder: he observed that whenever Edward changed the name of the aircraft something went wrong, and the glint in his eye indicated that he would love to see it happen again.

Meanwhile, it was impossible to read anything into Edward's far-away look. "English people are a pretty weird bunch, actually," he said approvingly, as if trying to

rope us all in to his particular state. The only theory he is ever likely to be able to prove is an oldestablished one - that if you talk to a camera for long enough, you will inevitably end up shooting yourself in the foot.

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FESTIVAL

Coming through loud and clear

CONCERTS Stephen Pettitt

Moscow RSO/ Fedoseyev

Barbican

IF THE Moscow Radio Symphony Orchestra was dispirited by the poor public response to its concert on Thursday, the playing did not show it. High passion characterized all three works in different ways, so that feverish, loud endings were a major theme of the evening. The musicians, encouraged by a conductor, Vladimir Fedoseyev, who is obviously a fully paid-up member of the Soviet melodramatic school, were happy to nail their emotional

colours to the mast. So it was in the full-blooded reading of Tchaikovsky's Francesca da Rimini - but even this work demands some sensitive

balancing. Perhaps because the players did not have sufficient time in which to master this tricky acoustic, there were moments when their sound became coarse and confused, dominated by high, gratingly steely violins, unpleasantly booming timpani (not for nothing does the London Symphony Orchestra tend to place them forward and to one side of the platform), and piercing cymbals. Perhaps, however an aural representation of Dante's vision of Hell should not sound too pleasant, if it is to be convincing - and this audience certainly relished the

stirring amount of volume. Somewhere in this heady drama could be distinguished some wellshaped contributions from the woodwinds. They were given space to shine more prominently in a cogent reading of Rachmaninov's Second Symphony. The sound of the violins - which had not changed - also suited this music bener. The first movement, an enormous structure of Brahmsian density, was carefully and convincingly shaped, while the Scherzo, far from being simply jaunty, created and dissipated its own menace and manic energy; and the Adagio's passions, with emerging, tremulant trumpets and triumphant horns, were indulged to the full, though in a way which preserved momentum

Between these two exercises in unabashed romanticism came Prokofiev's First Piano Concerto, whose première in 1912 was received with something like numbed shock. Even today, it punches hard with its obsessive lintle five-note theme, its irrepressible rhythmic impulse and its often difficult piano part.

Vladimir Ovchinikov chose not to over-exaggerate the concerto's spiky qualities, however, giving a performance which, though brilliant, also paid due attention to tone quality. He is a strong, imaginative and intelligent pianist, the perfect man to reveal aspects of this work rather deeper than those that are usually perceived.

## Island sounds and sweet airs

Liverpool Philharmonic as a

David Fallows

RLPO/Wordsworth Liverpool

OVER a hundred miles west of Scotland lies the tiny island of St Kilda - savage, treeless, thoroughly inhospitable and, until the last few inhabitants were evacuated about 60 years ago, Gaelicspeaking. Now it is a bird-reserve

and military base. But the loss of an old and isolated culture on a deserted spot of such stark beauty has not only a romantic appeal of its own, but also a message about the inevitable changes in the human

condition. James Wishart has treated a commission from the Royal

chance to explore these things. His 20-minute Oran Hiortoch (St Kilda Song) for soprano and orchestra uses texts from a variety of sources: poems about the island, reflections on the symbolically stark circumstances in which the last islanders left their home, and two Gaelic songs from St Kilda.It also uses orchestral textures derived from the Psalmody

The work has the virtues of a thoroughly coherent and wellcontrolled style, with an economy that, at the same time, never loses shape or formal drive. Much of the writing is basically in a slowmoving and widely-spaced threepart counterpoint, to which a small concertino group brings focus to the multi-layered orchestral material.

of the Western Isles,

While the colours change relatively little, the work has a remarkable unity within a texture that is constantly alive and never risks losing the attention of the listener.

The vocal line - magnificently projected by Sarah Leonard - has wide-ranging and angular shapes that seem to reflect the island. It is in a style that often buries the words; and it might, therefore, have benefited from less text, so that the listener could focus more directly on the musical events. But the work's impact is undeniable.

Barry Wordsworth conducted a clear and direct first performance. Earlier, Anne Queffélec had been a fluidly lyrical soloist in Chopin's

First Piano Concerto. The concert ended with a wellmodulated reading of Stravinsky's Firebird suite.

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## Power and the glory

Hilary Finch

Beethoven: Nine Symphonies/Leonore No 3 (RCA GD60324; 5 discs) Brahms: Four Symphonies/Haydn Variations/Double Concerto etc. (RCA GD60325; 4 discs) Verdi: Alda/Falstaff/Requir (RCA GD60326; 7 discs) All the above with the NBC Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini

was born before the invention of the phonograph, and 20 years later, in 1887, layed the cello at the premiere of Verdi's Otello. And now Arturo Toscanini's entire recorded legacy is preserved and reproduced for posterity on both video and compact disc. RCA Victor's formidable programme of nine concert videos and 82 CDs is due for completion in 1992, on the 125th anniversary of the conductor's birth; it was launched re-cently in Rome, in the presence of Toscanini's daughter and grandson, and amid an international orgy of self-congratulation.

The first fruits of the great harvest, reaped from the first acoustic La Scala recordings of 1920 up to the television concerts of the early 1950s, are those made at the very end of his career. The transfers and remasterings made under the direction of John Pfeiffer are from tapes of the original recording sessions, not from the production masters for the 78s or LPs. As such, they faithfully, at times tryingly, maintain the dry, constricted acoustic which Toscanini himself favoured, whether in studio or in concert hall. The sound, though, is freshly focused and enlivened in

its digital remastering.
What it all reveals is, not surprisingly, Toscanini's astonishing rhythmic rigour, his microscopic observation of detail, the fine transparency and alertness of his string playing. Less predict-able, perhaps, for the general listener, will be the revelations (particularly on video) of Toscanini's own smouldering, hypnotic hold over his performers. The violinist Oscar Shumsky has admitted to feeling so dominated, almost owned, by the maestro that he escaped to chamber music. Something of that extraordinary chemistry is palpably present in the charge of energy transmitted. for instance, to the soloists of the Brahms Double Concerto, and in the obviously inspired contribution of the vocal quartet of Beethoven's Ninth. Here, for a brief epiphanic moment, is a glimpse of how the voices can of the symphony's life.

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Received wisdom about Toscanini is questioned at many points in RCA's release, but nowhere more pointedly than in the Sixth Symphony. Far from being faster and more fiercely driven in the reputed tradition of his later performances, this "Pastoral" has an elasticity of rhythm, a flexibility of phrasing which seems to convey a particular affection for the work. It was, after all, the Beethoven which Toscanini broadcast most and recorded last.

The rhythmic primacy of the Seventh Symphony makes it, of course. Toscanini material par excellence; though the merciless driving of this finale does make it more of a relentless workout than the apotheosis of the dance. Toscanini's obsessional avoidance of anything too slow or too Germanic in this work results in the introduction becoming a crescendo of pounding semiquavers; the Vivace, with its tight, tense woodwind, is tinder-dry with expectation; and the slow movement's weightless counter-subject soon achieves rare urgency in its own right.

Toscanini was something of a champion of the Ninth Symphony: at the turn of the century performances were still rare, let alone readings marked by such "subtle and significant modifications of tempo", as the New York Times critic noted of Toscanini's in 1913. Nearly 40 years on, the observation is still startlingly true, and nowhere more so than in the chorale finale. For once, every shift of tempo makes easeful, thrilling sense: the soloists relax into lyricism itself.

Toscanini's Brahms is, for me, less than great. There are moments of awe-inspiring insight, like the delicate, intuitive realization of Brahms's own Allegro no troppo ma con brio direction for the last movement of the First, and the sense of musical weights and measures finding their own instinctive level in the Andante of the Third. But Tosalive. and therefore a partial Brahms, often so meticulously studied that



Hypnotic hold: the young Arturo Toscanini in 1896, the year of the world premiere of La Bohème

the conductor's profile becomes more sharply outlined than that of the composer.

For Toscanini, no opera was more beautiful, more complete, newer and more Latin than Falstuff". And no recording of Verdi's great masterpieces is perhaps more perfectly paced, more joyful in ensemble, more vibrant in pulse than this NBC broadcast of 1950. Verdi never heard Toscaniai's performance, though the conductor was only 26 when it received its premiere; but his librettist Boito conveyed his own "immense intellectual joy" at Toscanini's way with a work with which he obviously felt the deepest sympathy.

Few performances can offer wind playing comparable to that at the entry into Ford's garden: few show such a vivid palette of women's voices as that glowing itom the casting of Herva Nelli Nan Merriman, Cloe Elmo and, above all, Teresa Stich-Randall's

Nannetta. Giuseppe Valdengo's Falstaff, with its dark underside of anger and melancholy, thrives in an environment of robust recitative, tingling ensemble and transparent string playing.

Aida, taken from studio performances of 1949 (and also available on video, RCA 9790346) is less magnificent vocally: Richard

**CLASSICAL UPDATE** Tallis: Spern in alium, etc. Winchester Cathedral Choir (Hyperion CDA 66400) settings, but the big star here is the majestic reverberation of

Winchester Cathedral. Record for Rumania (Marco Polo 8.223305) This release may profit Romania, but it does little for Enescu: only the short symphonic poem Volx de la nature shows a complex Romanian orchestras, is

Tucker's Radames is a shade dry, Herva Nelli's Aida moves, but fails to thrill, and Valdengo's Amonasro lacks the sympathy or stature of his Falstaff. But the refinement of pacing and phrasing and the stifling tension of the private scenes contribute much that is remarkable to this performance.

Nelli plays a happier part in Toscanini's last great Requiem performance of 1951. The same boxed set also offers not only the Te Deum but "Va, pensiero", Luisa Miller's "Quando le sere al placido", and the extraordinary Hymn of the Nations Verdi wrote for the London Exhibition of 1862. Toscanini, himself the son of a Garibaldi revolutionary, resurrected it in 1943 for an Office of War Information film, adding to its heady melange of English, French and Italian national an-Internationale and The Star-Spangled Banner. Evviva Toscanini!

#### A-Z GUIDE TO ROCK

Part 30 of David Sinclair's collectors' A-Z, a guide to the essential albums of the most enduring performers of rock. To qualify for inclusion in this series, an act

must have sustained a recording career of at least 10 years, and have mustered at least one decent album during that time. The entries are designed to be pasted

on to index cards and stored in a 6in by 4in filing box, available from most good stationery shops, to form an instant guide to the hits and misses of rock history.

KOOL AND THE GANG

#### THE KINKS

erhaps rock's definitive chronicler of the English way, Ray Davies s finely-drawn vignettes of life in the Sixties remain both touching and ap-posite, be they tales of star-crossed lovers bathed in a rose-tinted sunset on Waterloo Bridge, or of facing up to the grim realities of life in "Dead End Street". Furthermore, with the purmel-ling aggression of their 1964 hit "You Really Got Me", the Kinks may arguably claim to have minted the first bona fide

cam to nave minted the first botha lide heavy-metal riff. But although the group put out several ambitious "concept" albums in the late Sixties, and subsequently enjoyed considerable success in America, it is for that initial burst of singles, released between 1964 and 1970, that they remain best known and loved. "All Day and All of the Night", "Tired of Waiting for You", "Sunny Afternoon", "Till the End of the Day", "Lola" and other similarly glorious three-minute wonders are collected on Greatest Hits (1985), which despite Davies's best efforts is really the only essential Kinks album.

or a group with such a determinedly low profile, Kool and the Gang enjoyed a phenomenal strike rate throughout the Eighties, particularly in the US chart, with such hits as "Cherish", "Celebration", "Get Down on it" and "Victory" seemingly becoming part of the air that we breathe without ever fully impinging on the consciousness. A slick, mellifluous soul groove dominates The Singles Collec-tion, released in 1988, a timely reminder

of such triumphs, but one which inevitably ignores the first flowering of this unlikely collection of talents as one of the definitive street-funk bands of the early one of the desinitive street-funk bands of the early Seventies, alongside acts like War and the Ohio Players. Led from the rear by bassist Robert "Kool" Bell, abetted by his brother Ronald Bell on tenor and soprano saxophone, Kool and the Gang first powered into the American chart with Wild And Peaceful In 1974, an album which boasted the immortal cuts "Funky Stuff", "Jungle Boogie" and "Hollywood Swinging".

**NEXT WEEK: Led Zeppelin, Level 42** 

#### **ROCK UPDATE**

Lee "Scratch" Perry From the Secrety Laboratory (Mango MPLS 1035) The legendary reggae producer emerges from a fallow period with sparks of his former aenius.

(World Circuit WCD 017) Rich and contemplative

#### music from Mali, tastefully embellished by the occasional addition of harmonica, percussion and

Black Box Dreamland (Deconstruction PD 74572) "Ride on Time" may have been the biggest hit single of last year, but it gave no indication that this Italian group had any

more to offer. Their album is surprisingly accomplished and offers a well-rounded collection of songs Billy Idol Charmed Life (Chrysalis CCD 1735) idol's image and lifestyle do not encourage the serious reading of his music, but his new album, the first since 1986, makes intelligent use of rock 'n' roll cliches.

## Reed standing tall again

JAZZ

**Clive Davis** 

Eddie Daniels Nepenthe (GRP 9607-2) The Chick Corea Elektric Band Inside Out (GRP 9601) Randy Weston Portraits of Duke Ellington (Verve 841312)

nce the prince of jazz instruments, the clarinet has suffered badly in the post-war era, never recovering from the onslaught of bebop. Where Artie Shaw, Barney Bigard and Benny Goodman once led the way, a contemporary player such as Eddie Daniels now seems almost a freak of nature.

In the five years since the classical-jazz album Breakthrough, the 48-year-old New Yorker has generally been given a rough time by reviewers. Though reed players are constantly amazed by his control of tone in even the most tortuous sequences, there has been an undeniably saccharine flavour to much of his work. In his progress through the various genres, from Charlie Parker riffs (To Bird With Love) to quasi-classical (Memos From Paradise), he has sounded like a virtuoso in search of the right format

In Nepenthe he has been given the glossy GRP fusion treatment. The process is usually fatal, but Daniels's sextet emerges unscathed, with tunes which function as more than mere background music. Though the album title refers to a mythical Egyptian narcotic, there is nothing sleep-inducing about Daniels's elegant improvisation on "Sun Dance" or "Equinox". His playing here is sparser than usual, no longer simply spilling out the arpeggios.

The album does run out of energy by the end of its 60 minutes. It is at least a pleasant change to hear a clarinettist take

on material that is usually reserved for extrovert tenor saxophonists - and to hear a fusion band which allows the soloist plenty of space. Guitarist Chuck Loeb and drummer Dave Wecki encourage a sophisticated but uncluttered ambience.

For GRP at its very worst, one can turn to Chick Corea's Elektric Band, which happens to include two of Daniels's sidemen -Weckl, and bassist John Patitucci. Speeding along at a constant 100mph, the compositions amount to the sort of vacuous geewhizzery that appeals to the more impressionable sixth-former. Corea's undisputed keyboard skills are spread dreadfully thin here. To complete the insult, his sleeve notes find space for full details of his agent, lawyer, fan

club and clothes designer. Back in the adult world, Randy Weston's tribute to Duke Ellington forms part of a trilogy including a collection of Thelonious Monk standards and a "selfportrait". Heavily influenced by Monk the composer of "High Fly" plays six Ellington originals. accompanied by bassist Jamil Nasser, drummer Idris Muhammad and percussionist Eric

sante's pounding African drums create an atmospheric prelude to "Caravan", a miniature which has been twisted out of shape by many a circus band. Expanding the piece to a full 12 minutes, Weston builds momentum with spacious. Monk-like chords. "Sepia Panorama", which formed a spectacular vehicle for Jimmy Blanton and Ben Webster in 1940, meanders through an 11-minute dialogue between piano and drums. Muhammad's New Orleans crossrhythms toy with the time signature on "Limbo Jazz", but the result is mannered compared with the breezy jam session on Ellington's 1963 encounter with Coleman Hawkins.

#### **JAZZ UPDATE**

Mose Allison: My Backyard (Blue Note CDP-7983402) After a gap of almost three years, the singer-pianist is back with a modern New Orleans band and more deadpan reflections on the loser's life. Saxophonist Tony Dagradi and guitarist Steve Masakowski stir a soulful brew, taking some of the pressure off of Allison's highly personalized voice.

Fats Waller And His Rhythm: The Last Years (RCA/Bluebird ND-90411) (3 CDs) A lavish collection of more

than 60 small group and big band tracks from the period 1940-1943. The mixture of vaudeville and genius culminates in a rendition of "Ain't Misbehavin' ", cut for the all-black film musical Stormy Weather. Thelonious Monk: Genius of Modern Music, Volumes 1&2 (Blue Note CDP7-81510/1) Some of the planist-composer's earliest — and most enduring - recordings. The new re-ordered package finds space for alternate takes, though at the expense of a number of the collaborations with Milt Jackson.

## Darkest deeds

**SPOKEN WORD Peter Davalle** 

Tales of Horror by Edgar Alian Poe (Listen for Pleasure, LFP7454) Ghost Stories M.R. James (Argo

Sherlock Holmes (3) (BBC Radio Collection, ZBBC 1123)

REASONING, sensibly, that an actor best known for his horror films (Dracula, Curse of Frankenstein, The Mummy etc) ought to know how to produce a frisson, Listen for Pleasure has selected Christopher Lee to read this quartet of flesh-creepers by Poe. Another - probably even more legitimate - reason for choosing Lee is that his tones are baritone. shading into bass; Poe should never be read aloud by a tenor. because he would be able to make nothing of dark tales about dank sepulchres, rotting corpses guarded by vengeful black cats, and prisoners facing death by rats and a pendulum meat slicer.

When Fortunato, the villain of The Cask of Amontillado, says: "1 shall not die of a cough", Lee injects so much prescient menace into the line that we dare hardly contemplate the nature of the doom that is planned for him.

Compared with the eye-popping horrors of Poe, the quintet of M.R. James ghost stories are mere goose-pimplers, and the reassuring voice of Michael Hordern is absolutely right for them. You feel James himself might have selected Hordern to recount these restrained tales of haunted dolls' houses, diaries, and private schools.

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### **GARDENING**

As gardens start to run riot, Francesca Greenoak suggests a plan of action for their owners — and for flower show fans

## How does your garden grow?

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here is a point in every year when the fecundity of foliage and flowers in the garden becomes slightly unnerving. Where only a short time earlier one rejoiced in the one now sees apprehensively that urgent action is required, as the garden loses definition in its billowing growth. Bushy plants such as hardy geraniums, jealous of the space allotted, impose on their more restrained neighbours; small delicacies are lost from sight, and the fresh strands of climbing plants tie themselves into aggressively intractable knots.

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At the same time an undercurrent of weed growth goes briskly into action; the annual meadow grass thickens its tufts by pathsides and sends up its little flowering stems with such amazing rapidity that digging them up, you invariably spill the tiny seeds for its next crop. No longer can such weeds be considered as fuel for the compost heap, for the seeds will probably survive the heating and emerge to germinate next year.

Other small weeds are dashing to spread themselves as fast as possible: speedwells, enchanter's nightshade, the daintily resetted hairy bittercress which hitches a lift with container-grown plants and stays forever, flickering its seeds explosively throughout the flowerbed at the mere proximity of the careful gardener's hand. Meanwhile dandelions have bloomed as never before this year, and the greywhite lollipop seedheads of future trouble are populous not only in gardens but on adjacent land, roadsides and verges. Even if you cannot root up the plant, remove

the seedheads without delay. and trimming can usually restore the garden to an attractive brilliance, which will probably never be bettered during any other season. This year, plant life is so precocious that the special flowers of late spring are coinciding with

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those of summer, such as meadow cranesbill and Weish poppy. Among the most precious plants now blooming I value highly the Pheasant's Eye narcissus, with its paper-pale, thrown-back flower with the neat little trumpet of green-orange, and the most wonderful rich scent, which falls short of the slightly sickening heaviness of some of the showy, modern narcissi. Even a small group of, say, half a dozen or so planted close together is well worth

having in the garden. The small native European gladiolus (Gladiolus italicus, sometimes called byzantinus) is now emerging from its beautifully folded bud to reveal a complicated but brief-lived flower of intense pink. Irises, those other glorious, short-lived flowers of early summer, are also coming into bloom. They respond well to sunny conditions, perhaps worth increasing if

warm weather persists. The low-growing soapwort (Saponaria ocymoides) which has begun to be sold in garden centres also seems to have enjoyed the warm spring. Another southern European native, this little plant, with its endearing, five-petalled pink flowers, looks very well at the edges of a border or bed. I'd also recommend the strawberry-potentilla hybrid called Pink Panther (which I planted only because I was given it). It has turned out to be much nicer than expected, the flowers opening a strong pink which fades slightly with time, and an edible (if not gournet) fruit is promised later in the season.

An early summer shrub I love is Rubus Tridel Benenden, a member of the blackberry/raspberry genus. Its rose-like flowers have rather A determined session of weeding crumpled white petals around a golden centre, which arches along branches of dainty, mid-green fohage. As the early roses come into bloom, I was interested to find that the incense rose (Rosa primula) which does not give off its rich scent as readily as the briar roses

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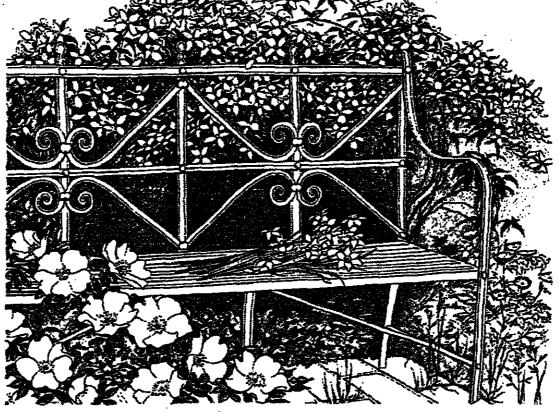
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indeed, you have virtually to macerate a leaf to get that spicy, high-church fragrance) perfumes the air with no intervention when it is very hot. This makes good sense of growing it against a hot sunny

There is a good range of plants of all kinds at nurseries and garden centres now. Water-plants can be planted or put in position in ponds warmed up by the sun. Annuals of various kinds can be bought to fill gaps, though tender plants such as impatiens and geraniums (especially small, young specimens) should be acclimatized to outdoor conditions for a while, and not planted in their permanent posit-

#### "WEEKEND TIPS"

- Protect strawberries with straw, matting or polythene between plants and net to prevent birds from eating the fruit.
- Pick caterpillars off cabbages and other plants by hand or spray with Bacillus thuringiensis.
- Put plastic collars around stems of newly planted cabbages. Continue regular feeding and
- watering of hanging baskets and pot plants (unless recently repotted, in which case start feeding in four to five weeks'

ions until all danger of frost has

Some plants which provided early display may need to be taken in hand now; straggly shoots of osmanthus or evergreen ceanothus may be pruned back as necessary after the flowers have faded. Kerrias should have its flowering stems cut right back to near ground level after the blooming fades, in order to encourage next year's flowering shoots (cutting all the shoots back is advised for the double form).

Honesty, which brightens the shade under trees, should be pulled out after flowering, except for those plants which you require for seed or winter seed-head display, otherwise next year's garden will be dominated by this friendly purple invader. The same goes for hedge garlic and forget-me-nots, whose development should be arrested before they go over-generously to seed. There will be enough seed from plants you overlook to provide a show for next year.

The early clematis (the montana group) is already in good flower. Strictly speaking they do not require pruning, but if they have tangled themselves into unruly knitwork, or begunto conquer areas you prefer unclematized, stand by with the secateurs after flowering. when the long strands can safely be cut back and neatened.

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### Vintage Chelsea

in the world takes place next week, in a year when the main problem for exhibitors has been not to bring things on but to hold them back, it should be a vintage event. There is a high proportion of women designers in the model garden section this year, and horticultural education is also well represented. Tickets are available through the Keith Prowse agency for the public days: Thursday May 23 (8am-8pm, £15 full day, £7 after 4pm) and Friday May 24 (8am-5pm, £12). Tickets may also be bought from Burton's Court, Royal Hospital Road, from now until the last day of the show (signed Cheisea Ticket Office). special information line (071-748 1744) will be open during the show for latest ticket information and admission details.

RHS members can visit on Tuesday May 22 and Wednesday May 23, 8am-8pm both days, or purchase reduced-price tickets on the public days (£6, maximum two tickets), and may come to the show free at 4.30pm on Friday May 25 to buy plants from nursery exhibitors when the show closes at 5pm. Members should obtain tickets direct from Vincent Square. There will be a full report of the show in next week's column.

Other places of interest to visit in London during Chelsea Week include:

The Museum of Garden History. St Mary-at-Lambeth (on the south bank just over Lambeth Bridge, opposite the Palace of Westminster). Ignore recent, inaccurate press noisings: the Museum of Garden History is open Mon-Fri 1 lam-3pm, Sun 10.30am-5pm, with a permanent display of gardening artefacts, and an attractive knot garden of 17th-century plants. Throughout Chelsea Week, until May 27, there will be an exhibition of paintings by Gillian Whaite and Clarence Whaite.

• Chelsea Physic Garden, 66 Royal Hospital Road. This historic garden close to the flower show grounds will be open to the public from noon-5pm Tues-Fri, admission £2.

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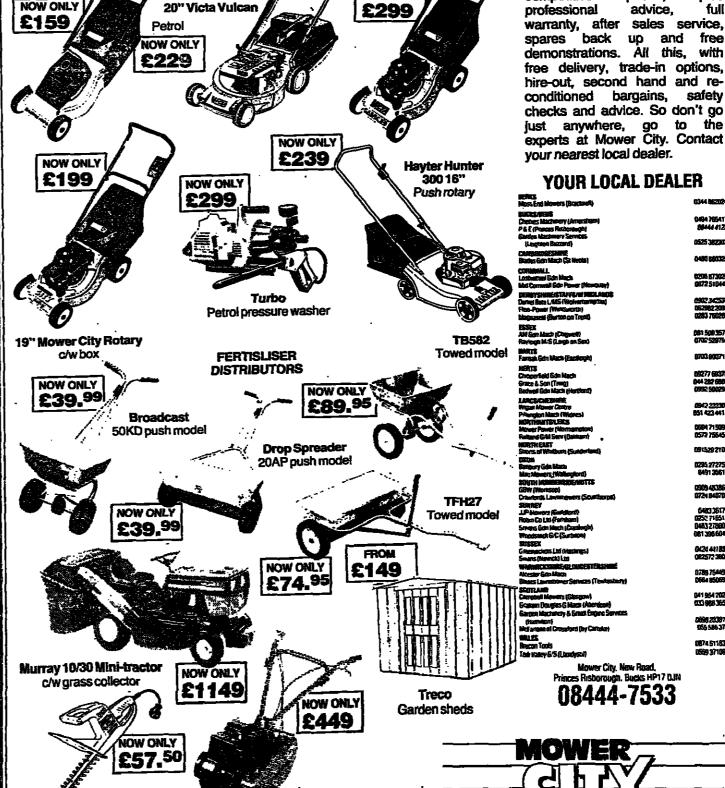
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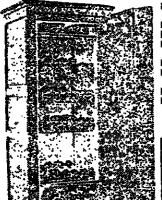


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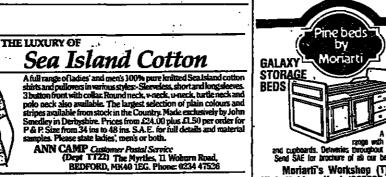
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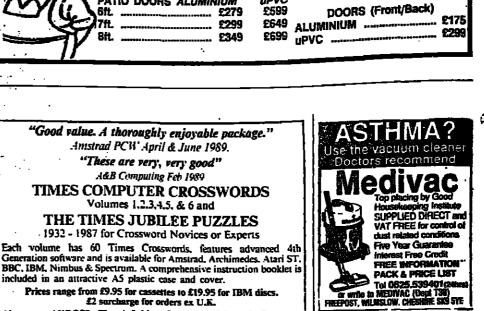
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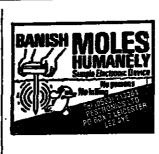
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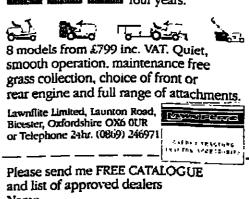
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## The drills that pack a punch

interest in DIY over the past few years, particularly by homeowners refurbishing their hard-to-sell houses, it's useful to know which drill will best tackle a specific task Which? consumer magazine tested 49 hammer, electropheumatic and cordless drills, along with seven electric screwdrivers

#### HAMMER

An electric hammer drill can bore holes in wood or metal and, with the hammer action engaged, should cope with concrete and brickwork. The hammer action works by making the drill bit vibrate forwards and backwards, pounding the material at the drill's tip, so it is important to use masonry drill bits with hardeped tips.

Care is vital when using a mains-powered drill outdoors; always use a residual current device to minimize the risk of an electric shock. Protecting the eyes with goggles when drilling is a sensible precaution to take.

• Power. Most hammer drills are rated at 500 watts or more. But this is the input power. In assessing the Best Buys, Which? also took account of the more important maximun output power.

Speed. Control of speed is important for some jobs. But, even when drilling at high speed, it is often useful to be able to start the drill slowly and build up to full speed. Most of the hammer drills te≸ted had a variable speed control. With some, this was combined with a speed preselect control - a way of limiting the movement of the trigger so that it did not exceed

the maximum speed required. Some of the drills also had two-speed gearboxes. This means that the torque of the drill - the twisting force - is greater at the lower speed. This is ideal for masonry.

Reverse. This is a useful action for undoing screws, and possibly for freeing a drill bit which has jammed.

• Feedback. An ordinary drill will tend to slow down as the load increases. A constant speed conrol tries to combat this by increasing the power to the motor to match the load. A variable torque control limits the rwisting force at the chuck to a pre-set level. This is useful for delicate jobs such as screwdriving. An overload cutout prevents the motor burning out by disconnecting the nower when there is a danger of overloading it.

 Models tested: the one-gear haramer drills included those by AEG, Black & Decker, Bosch, Hitachi, Kango, Kress, Makita, Peugeot and Skii. The two-gear hammer drills included those by Black & Decker, Bosch, Hitachi, Kango, Metabo and Peries.

#### ELECTRO-PNEUMATIC

These look like hammer drills, although the hammer action of an electro-pneumatic drill is provided by a piston driven by air pressure. This is more effective than the mechanical hammer action, and electropneumatic drills tend to outperform ordinary hammer

Shower

power

aking a shower in-

money and doing your bit for

stead of a bath is an

economical way of

keeping clean, feel-

ing refreshed, saving

drills for tough masonry jobs. Because less of the vibration gets transmitted back, they can be more comfortable to use. But they can be quite bulky, heavy and relatively expensive.

Most of the electro-pneumatic drills tested had SDS Plus toolholders rather than conventional chucks. These toolholders take special drill bits, which are about two or three times the price of ordinary masonry drill bits; from about £2.50 to £6, depending on size. The advantage is that they do not rely on how securely the chuck is tightened in order to stop the drill bit slipping.

● Power. The electro-pneumatic drills tested had about the same maximum output power as the conventional hammer drills, but generally performed better when hammer drilling.

• Speed. These drills have maximum speeds similar to two-speed hammer drills on their lower speeds. This is ideal for masonry but not so suitable for other materials, and the ordinary hammer drills were better than the electro-pneumatics for drilling in wood and steel. Most of the models tested also had a reverse action.

• Models tested: Bosch, Kango, Kress, Skil and Wickes.



The main advantages of cordless drills are that they are , easy to handle, less noisy than big, mains-powered drills and there is no trailing flex to worry about. Although more powerful cordless drills are coming on to the market, at present most do not have the power of larger, mainspowered drills.

 Power. Rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries are used. Some are contained within the drill; others come as a separate pack, which can be detached

• Speed. The drills generally run at much lower speeds than mains-powered drills; many also have a lower second speed. This makes them suitable for screwdriving - at the expense of drilling performance. All the models tested had a reverse action.

• Feedback. Only one of the cordless drills tested had a yariable speed control. Three had variable torque controls useful for small screws and soft materials - and two had overload cut-outs.

• Charging time. All the drills tested came with mainspowered chargers. But there was a wide variation in the time it took to recharge the batteries, from as little as one hour to as much as 16 hours. Each drill was measured to assess how well it would perform on a short emergency charge of 15 minutes.

• Models tested: the one-gear cordless drills included those by Black & Decker, Bosch, Hitachi, Makita, Peugeot, Wickes. The two-gear drills came from AEG, Black & Decker, Bosch, Kango, Makita, Peugeot and Skil.

conical cutting tools for drilling holes in thin metal mounting a car radio aerial, for example -- costing £10 or They are relatively cheap more, depending on size. • Wood. HSS twist drill bits

work reasonably well in wood but it is important to ensure that the waste material from the hole is cleared to prevent the drill jamming. Most traditional wood-boring tools are designed to work at low speeds, but there are special tools for wood designed specifically to work with power drills.

DRILL BITS

The type of drill bit you need

depends on the material you

• Steel and other metals. HSS

(high speed steel) twist drill

bits are the usual choice. They

cost from around 50p for a

3mm bit to about £3 for a

12mm bit. There are special

are tackling.

• Masonry. These drill bits have a small piece of very hard material at the tip, usually tungsten carbide. This can withstand the hammering of a powerful electric drill and the hard, brittle nature of ma-sonry materials. Standard length masonry drill bits cost from £1 to £2, depending on size, and there are also long masonry bits (for drilling through walls) which tend to

#### **ELECTRIC SCREWDRIVERS**

These are designed to help insert and remove screws using power from rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries.

(from about £14) but limited in their use. Those tested came with screwdriver bits. Some of the screwdrivers have pistolgrip handles; others straight.

• Power. Like cordless drills, electric screwdrivers use rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries. But the motors are less powerful: the worst of the drills easily out-performed the hest of the screwdrivers. None of the screwdrivers could cope with driving screws into steel. ● Speed. Electric screwdrivers typically run at very low speeds, often less than 200 rev/min. This makes them easy to control. All the models tested were reversible, although none had variable speed or feedback controls.

• Charging time. from one hour to 16 hours. ● Models tested: Black & Decker, Bosch, Metabo, Plasplugs and Skil.

#### **BUYING GUIDE**

BEST BUY: The Black & is very keenly priced.

#### **BUYING GUIDE**

 Power showers. Most people prefer the stronger flow rate of a power shower. It is worth going for the more versatile variable-flow type. BEST BUY: Triton T650, £160. Reasonably chean

 Electric showers: for a basic shower, go for: **BEST BUY: Texas** 

 Some electric showers BEST BUYS: Heatrae Sacia Sapphire, 275, and

### Triton T650 (£160)

upstream of the shower unit.

Power shower (£100 to £500) This is a shower-only mixer with an electric pump to increase the flow rate. It should have its own supply from the cold water cistern and hot water from the side of the hot water cylinder. Once set, the temperature should not change. Disadvantages: it is relatively expensive and more complicated to install than other types, and uses more water and energy than a

shower-only mixer.

with good performance and a good range range of flow rates.

Economy super, £50. Very cheap, easy to use and copes well with changes in water pressure.

restrict heat, saving energy. Redning Super 7S, £80.

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**BUYING GUIDE** 

 Hammer drills: Versatile tools which cope well with most jobs around the house.

Best one-gear hammer drill: the

economical Black & Decker (£40)

PNEUMATIC

Best pneumatic: the Wickes (£75), without reverse or variable speed controls

PBM ZZVE 🚒

Best cordless: the two-gear Bosch (£70) has a screwdriving bonus

BLACK DECKER

BEST BUYS, one-gear drill with reasonable performance: Black & Decker BD143V, £40. If you intend to tacke a lot of masonry drilling, it is worth paying more for the AEG SB2 500, £84, or Peugeot PC580E, £76. For a drill with constant speed and variable forcus controls — but poor hammer torque controls — but poor hammer drilling — the Black & Decker BD155RT; 260, is well worth

considering: BEST BUY, two-gear drill: Hitachi FDV 16VA, £108 (FDV 16V, £104, good tools for masonry work, but are less versatile than hammer drills.

BEST BUY: Wickes, £75, without reverse or variable speed control but good performence. Cordiess: These are not tough

enough for many jobs, but they are handy for light tasks — chilling wood and screwdriving, for example, and are safer to use outdoors. BEST BUYS: Bosch PBM 7.2VE. £70, which has two gears and offers good performance, particularly for screwdriving. Best of the single gear drills and with hammer action:

#### Best two-gear hammer drill: Hitachi FDV 10D, £70. the Hitachi (with reverse)

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> showers it came up with some definite recommendations, given in the Buying Guide. home uses, a shower is more energy-efficient than a bath, as a shower-only mixer uses about a sixth of the hot water needed by a bath. A power shower uses two-fifths. electricity at a very high rate compared with other appliances, but they are still more

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a short time. Five minutes under an instantaneous electric shower costs 4p. Installing a shower yourself should not be attempted unless you are confident that you have all the necessary electrical and plumbing skills, and are sure of all the appropriate regulations. Even if you are confident of your abilities, remember that working with water and electricity can be

because they are used for only

Bath/shower mixer (from £50) This replaces the existing bath taps. It consists of a hot and cold mixer tap, hose and shower head. A control lets water come out of the head or the taps. It is cheap, quick and easy to fit, but awkward to adjust because you have to bend down to tap level. If someone turns on a tap or flushes a lavatory, the shower can get hotter very quickly.

the environment. When Shower-only mixer (from £80) Which? tested 37 different This is plumbed directly into the hot and cold supply pipes rather than to the bath taps. It Whatever type of fuel your has a control valve (usually fixed to the wall) and a shower head. To minimize temperature variations, it should be fed from the cold water cistern, or be fitted with a valve which has a built-in temperature stabilizer.
Advantages include controls Electric showers consume set at a convenient height Once set, the temperature shouldn't change. Disadvantages include the fact that the energy-efficient than a bath flow rate can be unsatisfactory, but a booster pump (about £70) can increase the

flow to that of a power shower.

Instant electric (from £50) This type is plumbed directly into the mains water supply. The cold water is heated instantly as it flows over a heating element. It is cheap and you can have a hot shower at any time. However, the unit can suffer from heat fluctua-



Best power shower:

tions if the mains water is used

**BURN THIS:** Lanford Wilson's play. Robert Allan Ackerman directs John Malkovich, Lou Liberatore, Juliet Stevenson and Michael Hampstead Theatre, Swiss

Fri. Opens May 31. Tony Patrick

Cottage Centre, London NW3 (071-722 9301). Previews from Wed. Opens May 29. MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING: Start of the season, directed by Lindsay Posner, with Karl Johnson,

Linesay Poster, with Karl Johnson Susan Tracy and Martin Clunes. Open Air Theatre, Regent's Park, London NW1 (071-486 2431). Previews from Fri. Opens May 29. ORION AND THE GREAT BEAR: Bizarre-sounding play by Vivian Fongenie, directed and designed

by John Vernon.
Croydon Warehouse, Dingwall
Road, East Croydon (081-680
4060). Opens Wed. THE POWER AND THE GLORY:

Graham Greene adaptation. Tim Luscombe directs Edward Petherbridge. Chichester Festival (0243 781312). Previews from Mon. Opens Wed.

#### **JAZZ**

NEWCASTLE JAZZ FESTIVAL: Opening up with the Stan Tracey Big Band (Sat May 26). The Playhouse, Newcastle (091 232 7079/8520). Sat-Sun Jun 3.

**ROBIN EUBANKS/STEVE TURRE** QUINTET: Two trombones and the proficient neo-bop of Blue Note planist Renee Rosnes.
Ronnie Scott's Club, London W1 (071-439 0747). Mon-Sat.

TRIBUTE TO BENNY GOODMAN & **CHARLIE CHRISTIAN: Fats Waller** guitarist Al Casey teams up with the Dave Shepherd Quintet Pizza Express, London W1 (071-439 8722). Fri.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

20 DUTCH PHOTOGRAPHERS: The work of 20 photographers from PANL, the Photographers' Association of the Netherlands, which was set up six months ago to promote the work of professional lensmen working in the fields of fashion, editorial and advertising. This exhibition was put together before PANL's formation by a selection panel including the British photographer, Brian Ğriffin, whose own work has a high international reputation.
The Association Gallery, London EC1 (071-608 1445). Mon-Jun 1.



Living it up: Adventures in Motion Pictures aboard The Elizabethan paddle-steamer - Keith Brazil, Matthew Bourne, Carrollynne Antonn and Bill Eldridge

MA'S MUSIC: The outstanding cellist Yo Yo Ma plays sonatas by Rachmaninov and Brahms (the grim E minor one), Stravinsky's Suite Italienne and a Capriccio by the American William Bolcom. Barbican Centre, London EC2 (071-638 8891). Tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL PERAHIA: Continuing the International Piano Series, Murray Perahia, a marvellous player, performs Franck's Prelude, Chorale and Fugue, Schumann's Op 17 Faritasy, Liszt's Spanish Rhapsody and a Chopin group. Festival Hall, London SE1 (071-928 8800), Mon.

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#### CONCERTS

Birmingham Symphony Orchestra is conducted by Jiři Kout in Smetana's Bartered Bride Overture, Martinů's splendid Symphony No 6 and, with Truls Mork as sololst, Dvořák's Cello Concerto. Town Hall, Birmingham (021 2363889). Tues.

NORRINGTON BEETHOVEN: Roger Norrington conducts The Philharmonia in an all-Beethoven programme. Festival Hall. Wed.

MISTS, DANCES: In a notable contribution to the Bohemian Festival, Malcolm Binns brings

ROCK

man with another new set of tunes

Wembley Arena, Middlesex (081-900 1234). Mon, Tues.

charismatic dance-master whose

tomorrow; Birmingham Irish Centre (021 622 2314) Tues.

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forward Janáček's in the Mists. Smetana's 10 Czech Dances, Dvořák's Variations Op 36 and Vořísek's Sonata Op 20 – a good cross-section of Czech piano Wigmore Hall, London W1 (071-935 2141). Thurs.

METOPES, MAZURKAS: In a programme slightly different from that originally advertised, Janina Ffalkowska continues the Szymanowski festival with his Metopes, Mazurkas Op 50 Nos 15 and 16, Scriabin's great Sonata No 5, Debussy's Images I, Chopin's Mazurkas Op 41 and Scherzo No 4 a richly rewarding programme.
 Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800). Fri.

FESTIVALS

FESTIVAL: Celebration of Spanish

culture including Cumbre Flamenca

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Festival Office, Bridge Centre, Chippenham (0249 657190). From

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Scales in Queen Victoria evening;

G&S with ENO; and English music from Byrd to Finzi and Britten.

stival theatre, Malvern (0684

NOTTINGHAM INTERNATIONAL

FESTIVAL: Highlights include Stephen Lowe's new musical, Love in the Land of the Luddites;

Georgian State Dance Company; G&S with D'Oyly Carte. Box office, Victoria Centre, Nottingham (0602 419741). From

RIPON CHARTER FESTIVAL:

Festival Trust, Ripon, North Yorkshire (0765 700681).

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572725). From tomorrow.

BATH INTERNATIONAL

Tome of the biggest names in the musical world are giving their Services for tomorrow's all-day extravaganza on the South Bank.
Under the banner Music for Life, Graham Vick has brought together a staggering array of talent on behalf of Crusaid, the charity that raises money for the fight against Aids. The centrepieces are the evening's gala concert with Simon Rattle conducting songs from Porgy and Bess with members of the Glyndebourne cast, and the four-hour Musical Mystery Tour down the river, which will take in a Richard Jones staging of Monteverdi's Il Combattimento, a performance of Handel's Dixit Dominus in "a stunning 18th-century setting," and a special presentation of Matthew Bourne's hit show The Infernal Galop — a satirical view of Parisian nightlife with dance company Adventures in Motion Pictures. Other celebrated participants include the Labèque Sisters, Evelyn Glennie, Michael Tilson Thomas, Fou Ts'ong, Barry Douglas, Sherrill Milnes, Felicity Lott, Anne Evans, John Tomlinson, David Wilson-Johnson, Yvonne Kenny, Rose English, Sheila Hancock, Dorothy Tutin and Jeremy Irons. Songs have also been commissioned from Berio, Lutoslawski, Maxwell Davies, Stephen Sondheim and Ravi Shankar. Box-office (071-928 8800).

Barry Millington

### **CINEMA**

DREAMS (PG): Akira Kurosawa's latest epic – a richly rewarding semi-autoblographical fantasy. Lumiere, London WC2 (071-836 0691), Screen on the Hill, London NW3 (071-435 3366). From Frl. LOVERBOY (15): Bland comedy

with Patrick Dempsey as a frisky pizza delivery boy. Cannon Oxford Street, London W1 (071-630 0310). From Fri. HARLEM NIGHTS (15): Eddie

Murphy in over his head as the writer-director-star of this tired tale set in a nightclub. Plaza, London SW1 (071-437



im Henson, who died suddenly on Wednesday, did much to extend the boundaries of screen fantasy. His final film The Witches - a spirited adaptation of Roald Dahl's popular children's book - found him working in tandem with another extraordinary talent, Nicolas Roeg. Henson, the executive producer, provided the services of his Creature Shop - experts at the special effects essential for a tale of hideous witches planning to turn Britain's children into mice. The director Nicolas Roeg - encouraged by his young children's enthusiasm for the book supplied his own strong imagination, particularly in the early Norwegian scenes. Once both parents of the young hero, Luke, have been killed in a car crash, the action shifts to England: Luke and his grandmother arrive at a grand seaside hotel just as the witches, disguised as the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, converge for a convention. Anjelica Huston (above), enjoying herself hugely, plays the chief witch; Mai Zetterling - returning briefly to acting after a 15-year absence - is the grandmother, while Luke is played by fresh-faced Jasen Fisher. Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue, London WC2 (071-836 6279), from Fri, Geoff Brown

#### **GALLERIES**

DENZIL MICNEELANCE

BIG PAINTINGS PT II: A further selection of the paintings made for the planned — but never built — Hall of Remembrance at the close of the First World War; works by. among others, Wyndham Lewis, Paul Nash, George Clausen and C. R. W. Nevinson. Imperial War Museum, London SE1 (071-416 5000). From Mon.

IMAGES OF THE TEES: Breezy, impressionistic paintings and drawings by Len Tabner and posed photographs by Ian Macdonaid, which reveal a Middlesbrough in transition between heavy industry and something as yet unspecified Polytechnic Galleries, Newcastle (091 235 8424). From Thurs. NEW NORTH: Works by 16 contemporary northern artists. Tate Gallery, Liverpool (051 709

3223). From Wed. THE RUSSIAN POSTER: From the revolution to perestroika in 65 examples of both state and, more recently, unofficial graphics.
Smith Art Gallery, Stirling (0786 71917). From Sat May 26.

BARRY FLANAGAN: Nine new monumental bronzes, all featuring the sculptor's *Leitmotif* — a hare. Waddington Galleries, London W1 (071-437 8611). From Wed.

SUNDAY TIMES WATERCOLOUR COMPETITION: A selection from the 2,000 entries to this important national competition. Mall Galleries, The Mall, London SW1 (071-930 6844). From Fri. **DAVID HISCOCK:** New works exploring the boundaries between painted, photographed and sculpted imagery by a leading stylist and Vogue photographer. (Upstairs: Nick Waplington, winner of the Kodak Young Photographers' Award). Pomeroy Purdy Gallery, London SE1 (071-237 6062). From Fri.

#### **OPERA**

**GLYNDEBOURNE:** The new production by America's enfan terrible of Mozart's Magic Flute will give Glyndebourne's patrons plenty to chew over during their long picnic interval. Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273 541111). Mon and

**ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA:** Robin Holloway's distillation of Samuel Richardson's mammoth novel Clarissa addresses the theme of sexual attraction from a 20th-century standpoint. Oliver Knussen conducts. London Coliseum, St. Martin's Lane, London WC2 (071-836 3161).

Tues and Fri. **ROYAL OPERA HOUSE: Static** production by Faggioni, but strong cast includes Carol Vaness, Sergei

Leiferkus, Alexei Steblianko and Eva Randová. Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066). Wed and Sat May 26.

#### SALES

DYSON'S DELIGHTS: Three day sale of contents from John Dyson & Sons, an old-fashioned quality jewellers in Leeds. Sotheby's, Chester (0244 315531). Viewing Mon, Tues and Wed as sales permit. Sales Tues, Wed and

BLUE JOHN: Unusual 19th-century Blue John Goblet (£2,000-£3,000) has popped up in this good medium quality furniture sale.
Lawrence Fine Art of Crewkerne, Somerset (0460 73041). Viewing Mon by appointment, Tues, Wed. Sales Thurs.

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FLOWERY: More than 200 lots of charming flower and garden pictures, £200-£400 upwards. Bonhams, London SW7 (071-584 9161). Viewing tomorrow, Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs. Sale Thurs. STUDIO SALE: Marjorie Mort, an

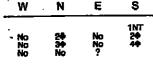
underrated artist who died aged 89 last December, comes to auction with this comprehensive sale. David Lay, the Penzance Auction House (0736 61414). Sale Thurs.

#### **BRIDGE**

ia Mahmood confirmed that he is the man for the big occasion when most declarers. he won the Omar Sharif Individual in Atlantic City a week ago, collecting \$40,000 of the \$200,000 purse.

Individual tournaments have long been demode, but the Goren bridge travel and publishing organization sees them as a way to launch a kind of Pro circuit, avoiding the ethical problems that can arise with established partnerships. This could help restore interest in the top performers at grass-roots level, at present at a low ebb because of convoluted bidding methods.

Rubber-bridge players as well as duplicate addicts will recognize in this auction a recurring situation.



Neither side is vulnerable and the no-trump opening is strong. East holds:

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. It seems clear that North-South have no more than a 4-4 fit, for with five spades North would be unlikely to use Stayman. It is also clear that the partnership is at full stretch, and that the 4-1 trump break may be hard to

overcome. A double by the short trump hand will seldom go badly wrong, and may misdeclarer. Surprisingly, only Zia doubled as East. Partner turned up with A-J-9x of spades and the pair scored 300:

There is a neat solution to the next deal, but it eluded Dealer West. Neither vul.

> ◆ AK643 ♥ 184 ◊ AQJ ◆ A5 7 W E ♥ J 1082
> ♥ A32
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North opened one spade, South bid 1NT and North raised to 3NT. West led the 10 of hearts and South played low from dummy, East following with the 2.

enough for game, so South continued with the ace of diamonds, on which East showed out. West held off the next diamond and South, short of entries, had to try the spades, but the 4-2 break left him with only eight tricks. When he gave up a spade the defenders cashed three hearts and the king of

jack of diamonds, but then he continued with the queen. Had West taken this trick, Zia would have been home, so he ducked. Now Zia tested

fatal diamond to cash. Per-Olof Sundelin of Stockout of luck when he encountered Zia in this deal:

Dealer East. East-West vul-

part from being one of the most desirable icons in the history of

pop, Deborah Harry (above) has scored some notable musical

firsts. With Blondie, the late 1970s New York combo which bridged the

gap between the New Wave and Pop, she became the first woman to have

a hand in writing three UK chart toppers: "Heart of Glass", "Atomic"

and "Call Me". Another hit, "Rapture", was the first white rapping record, but by 1983 flagging success caused Blondie to fold. Meanwhile

Harry's bleached blonde sub-Marilyn Monroe looks had spawned a host

of imitators, notably Madonna. After maintaining a low profile for most

of the Eighties, Deborah returned late last year with a solo album. Its

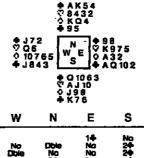
title, Def. Dumb & Blonde indicated she still had a sense of humour,

while live dates demonstrated that, now into her forties, the lady has not

lost her sex appeal. With another single from the album, "Maybe for

Sure", looking set to follow the success of "I Want That Man", this week

she begins another tour. University of East Anglia, Norwich (0603 505401) Wed; Aston Villa Leisure Centre, Birmingham 6 (021 328 5377) Thurs; Newport Centre, Newport (0633 259676) Fri. Mike Nicholls



South won with the king Zia, East, were in strong and led a diamond, success- contention, and when the contention, and when the fully finessing the jack. Four auction was over you would diamond tricks would be have bet that Sundelin had got the better of exchanges. chosen a good moment. With

he too began by finessing the one heart, one club, and the ace of diamonds. spades, gave up a spade trick, had evidently taken his eye and got home for the loss of off the ball, for he played one spade and three heart low, wrecking the contract. tricks. The defenders had no This was perhaps the

Per-Olof Sundelin of Stock-holm, known to the bridge finished third, collecting world as "P.O.", would earn \$12,000. If Pender hadn't his card if a Pro circuit ever pulled the wrong card, he came into being, but he was would been first.

Opening lead 40 Sundelin, as North, and This was because South, a Bermuda Bowl winner, Peter Pender, had elected to bid four spades when he might well have passed Sundelin's three spades, having already shown his hand. And he had

the ace of clubs well placed and the missing heart hon-ours divided, Pender was due When Zia played the hand to make game for the loss of But on West's opening club

lead, Zia, instead of putting up the ace as expected, inserted the queen. Pender costliest inadvertence in the

#### Description of the state of the **CHESS**

t the end of last month chess history was made when a chess computer galaxy many times over before the task would be accomdefeated Anatoly Karpov in a game in Munich. Admittedly this was in a simultaneous display, where the former World Champion confronted 24 opponents at the same time. Nevertheless, this is the provided significant compenfirst time that a computer has ever beaten a human World

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and exhibitions.

Although the machine in question is manufactured in Germany, the winning program was written by Professor Richard Lang, a British scientist who lives and works in Cheltenham. The problem in facing a top-class computer is its incredible number-crunching ability in terms of move calculation. Deep Thought, the great American mainframe, can visualize one million positions every second. However, humans can be encouraged by Arthur Koestler's calculation that even calculating at the rate of one million moves per second, it would take a computer 1009 seconds to calculate a 25move game perfectly in advance. Ever since our

Champion.

planetary system came into 29 Rub1 being, 4.5 billion years ago, no more than 10 seconds have elapsed. Moreover, Professor Nathan Divinsky, chess statistician and professor of mathematics at the University of British Columbia, has calculated that in order to publish all possible moves of all possible moves of all possible 25-move games in a 57 hbx2 of Batsford Chess Openings (slightly smaller than a telephone directory) one would 67 Re3 the wrong card, he phone directory), one would for Re3 phone directory), one would have to cover the surface of the globe and fill all free space 73 Rg1

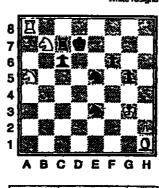
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plished. In the game which follows, Karpov outplays the machine and wins a piece. Nevertheless, Black's horde of pawns sation, which made the win for Karpov extremely difficult. On move 46 (see diagram), Karpov, perhaps frustrated by the machine's excellent defence, made an incautious move which permitted the computer to liberate, advance and ultimately promote its passed pawn.

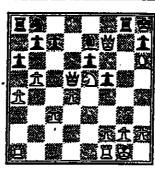
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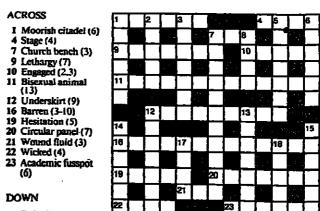
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WHATEVER Jim Leighton's feelings about the events of this week, perhaps the most turbulent of his career, he was not the recipient of any noticeable measure of sympathy from the Scotland coach, Andy Roxburgh, yesterday. Roxburgh named the

Manchester United goal-keeper in his squad of 22 for Scotland's trip to Malta next week, a pool which will barring accidents, effectively be the travelling party for the World Cup finals themselves.

Leighton, who was omitted by the Manchester United manager, Alex Ferguson, from the Old Trafford team to play Crystal Palace in Thursday night's FA Cup final replay, will not take part in Scotland's final domestic warm-up match, against Poland at Hampden Park this afternoon, but then the selection of Andy Goram, of Hibernian, as Scotland's goalkeeper was known 10 days ago. Asked if he had offered any

words of comfort to Leighton. Roxburgh replied: "Aye, I told him to be here next Thursday and to make sure his lawn was mowed. Any player worth his salt has to have it in him to overcome these setbacks, and his problems don't affect us in the slightest.

\*Obviously the is disappointed, but he has had other bad times this season and he has come back from them. He had to play unexpectedly against Argentina and he played well. I'm not too worried about Jim."

If Leighton does require any fortification of his morale, he might reflect that he is singularly more fortunate than his colleague at Manchester United, Brian McClair, Although McClair played well at Wembley on Thursday, Roxburgh rejected any suggestion that there should be surprise at the player's omission from the

"It's certainly not the impression I have got from anybody. I have told Brian McClair that I am disappointed that things have not worked out the way we hoped they would. We admire him and that is why we have had him with us before, but the bottom line is how people perform when they're playing

Another forward who will not travel either to Malta, or to Italy, is Robert Fleck, of Norwich City, despite his heartening performance in the Scots' recent 1-0 victory over-

The fact that he is suffering from a damaged knee is not the decisive factor in his absence, but rather Roxburgh's concern about achieving a balanced squad, one which slightly favours cover in

On the question of Scottish confidence. Roxburgh said: Morale is not the problem. These players are going to the World Cup, and for many of them, it is their last chance to

## SCOTLAND: A Goram (Fibernian): R Gough (Rangers), G Gillespie (Liverpool), C Leveln (Heart of Midlothian), M Maipes (Dundee United), S McCall (Everton), R Altiten (Newcastle United), G McAllister (Laicester City), M McLeod (Borussia Dorsmand), M Johnston (Rangers), A McColst (Rangers). Juventus's record fee

player. The fee is worth more four-year contract. than twice AC Milan's record payment to Eindhoven for the

Florence when they heard the UEFA Cups this year. news of the impending move some hours earlier. Police had to disperse a crowd of about 500, who blocked traffic outside the headquarters of the

JUVENTUS yesterday paid a Antonio Caliendo, Baggio's world record 25 billion line agent, said on Thursday that (about £12.2 million) for the transfer, which would give Roberto Baggio, Fiorentina's him 1.8 billion lire (£880,000) Italian international midfield a year plus fringe benefits for a

in the World Cup proper.

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If Scotland manage a vic-

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istered one victory against

better team than Sweden."

"Other countries have done

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Juventus, one of Italy's Dutch international, Rund richest clubs, are remodelling their side after a lean run of Angry Fiorentina support- five seasons, broken only by ers poured into the streets of victory in the Italian and

> They are transferring a clutch of players and replacing trainer Dino Zoff with Luigi Maifredi, of Bologna.



WORLD CUP SOUAD motivation than that. Anyway, although we would have liked to win our practice. Goalkeepers matches, we tried things we J Leighton (Manchester United); A Goram (Hibernian); B Gunn would never have attempted

R Gough (Rangers); S McKimmie (Aberdeen); M Malpas (Dundee United); C Levein (Heart of Midlotnian); A McLeish (Aberdeen); G Gillespie (Liverpool); D McPherson (Heart of Midlothian); M

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move away from Tynecastle, responses from supporters'

where the club has been for clubs had been positive and

Mercer said that the initial

He reassured supporters:

of a new stadium."

## Hearts plan move from Tynecastle

PLANS to move Heart of businessman and chairman of Hearts' stock, stressed that the Midlothian Football Club to a Rangers Football Club. green-belt site on the western edge of Edinburgh have been of the site, said: "I'm not confirmed by Wallace Mercer, interested in what some local the club chairman (a Special Correspondent writes).

seater stadium - to be completed within two years for £20 million - as part of a £200 million development by

politicians, who might only be in office for a year, might Hearts are seeking planning think. If the people wish it, the permission for a 27,500 all-politicians will listen. We politicians will listen. We want to work together with the

David Murray, an Edinburgh now owns 76 per cent of football stadia."

politicians."

Mercer, aware of criticism

my generation but for those development. "It's a new era born tomorrow and in the next 10-15 years," he said. "The proposal meets all the requirements that we would wish to take this city through

Mercer, who took over as chairman in 1981 and who

to the next century in terms of

110 years, comes under pres-

"It's not for the people of

sure from the Taylor Report.

United may go for Southall JIM Leighton, the Scottish that Ferguson's preference for talks are possible with Colin

international goalkeeper who Les Sealey, on loan from was omitted from the Man-Luton Town, has signalled the chester United team for Thursday night's FA Cup final end of Leighton's career at Old Trafford. replay, has indicated a desire Ferguson's long association with Leighton will not stop to remain at the club.

Although Leighton was still silent about the decision of Alex Ferguson, the United Southall, the Welsh intermanager, to leave him out, Leighton's agent, Jerome Anderson, said that his client would not be submitting a transfer request.

Harvey next week. Although Southall would relish the opportunity to join United the stumbling block is Everton's price for a player who is regarded as the finest

goalkeeper in Europe.
If Everton decide to make him looking for a replacement - and this will be Neville Southall available for transfer they would demand at least £2 national goalkeeper, who million, more than twice the wants to end his nine-year fee which Arsenal paid to Queen's Park Rangers earlier this week for David Seaman, the England international

Although Everton rejected an official transfer request However, it seems probable only a fortnight ago, further goalkeeper.

association with Everton.

through a hole in a Henry Moore."

 York City Football Club has a new sponsor: a fun park and private 200. No, not Leeds United. The team is sponsored by Flamingo Land Funpark. The lads went over this week for heading practice with the dolphins.

itself for another Argentinian summer. Argentinians are allowed to play here again, as the polo establishment belatedly put the Falklands War behind it in late 1988. Since then, the competition to acquire the best Argentinians is hotter than ever. The going rate for these dashing lads is, l learn from June's Harpers and Oucen, £1,000 per goal-rating per month. A 10-goal player, then, is on £10,000 a month for the five-month season "paid on top of accommodation, cars, expenses, ponies, equipment and a posse of female fans". One polo wife explained: "They eat with us, they train with us, they sleep with

#### following recall By Alan Lee Cricket Correspondent **England** party DAVID Gower was vesterday restored to the arena he should never have been asked to leave. After a winter spent wondering if his England

Gower's role is

still uncertain

place for next week's Texaco Trophy internationals against New Zealand. A telephone call from Graham Gooch, his friend and successor as captain, informed Gower that he had won parole from the harsh sentence meted out last autumn. As he has barely had the chance to demand a recall by weight of runs, the suspicion persists that his exile was either short-

career was over, he is

promptly back in his rightful

Gower is included in a 13man party for the matches at Headingley, on Wednesday, and the Oval, two days later. Where he bats, or possibly even if he plays, will be dictated by events at Ilkeston on Monday, when Wayne Larkins aims to prove, in a second team match, that he has recovered from a fractured finger. Neil Fairbrother has been put on stand-by.

term shock treatment or a

hideous mistake

Larkins is lucky to be given such preferential treatment. He has scored one run in three first-class innings this season and, apart from a century against Scotland, his one-day form is little better. His retention, with form and fitness under a cloud, may be loyal but is hardly logical. It can be argued that Gow-

er's treatment owes nothing to either loyalty or logic. He was omitted from winter tour plans in a callous fashion which showed no respect to one of only three Englishmen to play 100 Tests and reflected little credit on the manmanagement of those in

He felt hurt and bewildered but, admirably, he shut out the past and set his mind to the foture, moving home and changing counties in the close season. He expected, and said as much, that he would need to fight his way back. Yesterday, one sensed, he was surprised it had happened so

"Let's just say I was prepared for a different scenario, Lewis. "Chris is an exciting for having to wait a little and talented player who is onger," he said. But Micky Stewart has happened to watch me whenever I have made runs this season, which can't have done any harm.

the club would apply next "The new environment at week for permission to turn Hampshire has been helpful. Tynecastle over for residential It is impossible to say if I would have achieved this by but we'll always cherish Tynecastle," Mercer stressed. staying where I was but it is a very happy atmosphere here." "Not one player will be sold to leadership style at first hand ensure entry. help finance the development this winter and says: "There is a new, stricter regime in the

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camp but I know I can adapt to that. There have been misconceptions in the past about my attitude to work."

Although he has frequently admitted that one-day cricket does not motivate him to the same degree as Test matches, Gower will not be short of incentives. "I don't think I will have any trouble with the adrenalin this time. I look at this as a stepping stone and I know it is important to make runs in these two games."

Gower will open with Gooch if Larkins is ruled out; otherwise, ironically, he will find himself contesting the last middle order place with the manager's son, Alec Stewart.

Derek Pringle has predictably been chosen to bat at No. 6 and act as the fifth bowler. It is a role he has filled adequately in one-day cricket in recent years. But the emergence of Graham Rose and the resurgence of lan Botham could be of greater interest later in the summer.

Others who are presumably being saved for the more serious business are Mike Atherton and Devon Malcolm. Lancashire's Atherton is in prolific form but it may be thought that his technique should not be compromised in overs cricket; Malcoim is England's fastest bowler but not their straightest. End of story.

Angus Fraser is being risked, despite playing only one championship match since breaking down in the West Indies two months ago, and, with Hemmings's variety so valuable, the final bowling place will probably be between Lewis and DeFreitas.

● Leicestershire's Australian coach, Bobby Simpson, yesterday congragulated the Eng land selectors on picking going to get even better," he said. "We have not seen the best of him yet by any means He's a great choice."

• Record receipts of more than £200,000 have been taken for the match at the Oval. No tickets will be available on the day except for Surrey members, who have been advised to book their Gower witnessed Gooch's seats before Wednesday to

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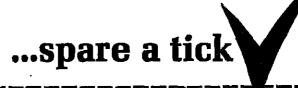
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#### Giving golf the kinaesthetic birdie

his column has always found it hard to take golf seriously. This personal failing is amply compensated for by an occasion called the First World Scientific Conference of Golf, which takes place in July at St Andrews University, with approval and funding from the Royal and Ancient Golf Club.

The handouts I have been given are enthrailing Take Theme One: Human Factors Affecting Golf Performance. Under a list headed "Other Abstracts Submitted", I read the following titles: biomechanical analysis of the optimum golf swing; kinaesthetic perception and skills; effect of skill level on muscle activity; visual alignment in putting back pain in Swedish tournament players; heart rate, personality and shot-making; strategies versus visual bias on aiming accuracy; normality and independence of scores: and spinal shrinkage.

The technological factors investigated are just as baffling and include aerodynamic lift and drag, golf-club control by passive measurement and computerized club-ball interaction. A letter from Martin Farrelly, the congress director, expresses concern that the Press might emphasize the trivial side of all this. I am asked not to ignore the weightier, more scientific information", I don't think I could if I tried.



SIMON BARNES

SATURDAY Finger-flickin' good

he football World Cup has been upstaged. A few days before the big kick-off, all its thunder will be stolen by the sixth Panini Subbuteo World Cup - Subbuteo being fingerflicking table footy. The event takes place in Rome on June 2 and 3 at a cost of £150,000, with 26 nations taking part, including Australia, the United States, Singapore, Finland and Israel. The defending champion is Willi Hofman, of Baden, in Switzerland, but Mario Baglietto, from Bari, in Italy, and, at 20, 10 years younger than Hofman, is favoured for an upset. The leading Brit is a Scottish joiner called John McGiffen. John Waddingtons. the manufacturer of the game, has

#### for £50,000 each. And baby makes drei

he more we hear of glasnost, the more we hear how unpleasant it was seeking sporting glory for East Germany. Heike Drechsler won a long-jump silver and two sprinting bronzes at the Olympics in Seoul and two golds at the 1986 European

she was forbidden to get pregnant. She was married to an East German footballer, Andreas Drechsler, in 1985, and mentioned during an interview shortly afterwards that she wanted a child. The athletics authorities responded instantly. Drechsler was told that this was forbidden until her career was over. However, as life changes for the country, so it has for the Drechslers. They have a son, and, at the age of 25, Frau Drechsler plans to return to international athletics this summer and to compete in the European championships in Split.

West German magazine that for years

Doctors on the run ne of the great sporting events of the summer will, of course, be the World Doctors' Games. Yes, really: they take place in Perpignan. France, from June 17 to 23 and naturally it is serious. The Games are recognized by the International Olympic Committee. One oddity of the occasion is that there will be no statutory doping controls, though there is still the possibility of swoops insured all the players' flicking fingers on the unsuspecting medics.

#### Bullet-proof Arlott

he BBC has just issued a double album of John Arlott's cricket commentaries. I am not a pursuer of nostalgia for its own sake but Arlott was a genius in his medium and he repays study. My favourite mot is not included: "That ball went championships. She recently told a through Boycott's defence like a bullet

But there is plenty more to delight: Clive Lloyd hitting a boundary "like a man knocking a thistle-top off with a walking stick." The genius was more in the simple vividness than in the excellent jokes. His spoken words are a treat as well as a lesson to all sport's media people. So, indeed, is one of Arlott's personal mottoes, C. L. R. James's famous line: "What do they know of cricket who only cricket

#### Crying for Argentinians he polo fraternity is bracing

us. We own them for three months."

## Cook seven runs short of 1,000 after another 100

run machine was humming smoothly again yesterday. An unbeaten 117 against the New Zealanders was his third century in seven days and leaves. him only seven short of 1,000 runs, in all cricket, this season.

In first-class games alone, Cook has made 567 runs at an average of 141.75 and, with a potential six further innings available this month, a change of weather is the most obvious danger to his hopes of completing 1,000 before the end of May.

The quiet, modest South African will have particularly enjoyed yesterday's innings. Like others from his country, Cook has had to maximize every opportunity of international opposition. Test cricket would assuredly have suited his style and temperament but, deprived even of the ambition, he is limited to the personal fulfilment of making runs in games such as this.

That he made only 31 on Wednesday was eye-catching mediocrity by the standards he has set himself. Somehow, one instinctively knew that he would not miss out again. He resumed on 51 yesterday and the century was completed in an atmosphere of utter inevitability. As ever, Cook was clinical, correct and com-posed. His timing was immaculate, especially when allowed his trademark shot never have seen him bat through square leg. There before, After this, their line

NORTHAMPTON: Warwick-

shire beat Northamptonshire by

WARWICKSHIRE'S victory

with an innings to spare was quickly accomplished. The last

three Northamptonshire wick-ets lasted only 35 minutes yesterday morning, adding 32 runs, providing Munton with two more scalps to add to the

seven he had already collected and giving him his best haul at

Munton bowled throughout

with rare stamina and with

movement away from the bat sharp enough to have the best

players in trouble. Now, as is often the way, he struck an early

blow with one of his few bad

Like Munton, Reeve had had

a match to remember. So, for

different reasons, had Ambrose and Thomas. These two resisted

long enough to add 30 runs. Then Ambrose skied Donald to

Football Club, which owns

Headingley, has three weeks to

effect a compromise with the

city council following the rejection of plans for a £4.4

million redevelopment of the

main stand at the Test ground.

Unless agreement can be reached with the planning

authority, the scheme will be

put back at least a year and Alf

Davies, the club's chief exec-

utive, said yesterday that costs

could escalate to a prohibitive

**Surfing blow** 

The only round of the world surfing championship to take place in Britain, at Fistral Beach, Newquay, Cornwall in

August, is under threat after the withdrawal of the sponsor,

Jeff Fenech, Australian super

Sydney hospital for observation and his world title contest with

Juan Laporte, United Staes, for the WBC crown on May 26

postponed. He complained of

dizziness, sore throat and ear

The Crown-Chafes professional cycling team, whose main

sponsor can no longer guarantee backing, has paid the £1,650 registration fee to the world

governing body, FICP, which

will allow it to compete in the Milk Race starting on May 27.

Milk permit

Boxer dizzy

"We were staggered by the can do."

level in that time.

Reeve in the gully.

an innings and 30 runs

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

Priest, wascomfortably caught

at slip, having made 59. His

batting continues to develop.

As a wicketkeeper who can

Rose, another with England

by a more positive approach

vigorous style, and of his three

sixes, one, against Priest, car-ried out of the ground at long-

Meanwhile, Cook was cruis-

ing unassumingly to his cen-

tury in 217 minutes. He hit 17

fours, most of them off his

legs, where the New Zealand-

ers persisted in attacking him,

They can be forgiven only

inasmuch that they would

on and into the river Tone.

national one-day honours.

AFTER a rare splutter on were no frills, nothing fancy. might be slightly different if Wednesday, the Jimmy Cook Normal business had been they meet again. Tavare delayed his declara-

To be brutally honest, Cook tion for five minutes after lunch, finally giving the tourhas been taxed far more severely by any number of ing side a demanding target of 322 in a minimum 59 overs. county attacks than he was here, Mark Priest bowled a Scoring, early on, at only three an over, it looked beyond long spell of left-arm spin from one end but the fare from them but when the red-headed the other, featuring off spin from Jones, medium pace Hallett dismissed both openers, his first wickets in firstfrom Rutherford and comic class cricket, Martin Crowe and Jones increased the tempo impersonations from Martin in the best sunshine of the day. Crowe, was charitable at best. Burns, cutting against

SOMERSET: First Innings 343 for 6 dec (C J Taveré 156, R J Harden 104; M C Snedden 4 for 79).

make regular runs, he could be a serious candidate for inter-pretensions, and better served \*C J Tavarè, R J Harden, I G Swallow, J C Haliett and A N Jones did not bat, FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-34, 3-48, 4-148.

with the bat, made 59 of an unbroken stand of 98 in 58 BCWLING: Milmow 8-1-35-1; Snedden 18-3-49-1; Rutherford 10-1-52-0; Priest 28.3-11-80-1; Jones 4-0-8-0; M D Crows 5-1-16-0. minutes with Cook. He strikes the ball cleanly, with a full and

> NEW ZEALANDERS: First livings 278 for 3 dec (\* J. Franklin 103, A. H. Jones 57 not out, M. D. Crowe 55 not out). J J Crowe c Hardy b Hallett
> T J Frankin tow b Hallett
> A H Jones c Taveré b Roebuck
> M D Crows b Jones
> M J Grastbath

†A C Parore, S A Thomson, M W Priest, M C Snedden and J P Milmow to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-64, 3-174, 4-201.



#### Northants' finish Derbyshire stitched up comes quickly by Lancashire spinners in the county championship.

tried to drive.

Every step they took was alive with determination. For Northamptonshire, it has been a different story. Perhaps their best moment during the past four days was the sight of Lamb moving well, after his hamstring injury, as he ran round the boundary after the He seems confident that he

will be fit to play against New Zealand in the first Texaco Trophy match starting next Wednesday. Micky Stewart, the England manager, was there to receive the news at first hand.

WARWICKSHIRE: First Imings 473 for 9 dec (D A Reeve 202 nor out, A I Kelicherran 72, G C Small 55; A L Penberthy 4 for 91).
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Imings 219 (T A Munton 5 for 33). balls, a long-hop outside the off stump in his second over of the day, which Ripley fastened on to only to be swallowed by Second Innings A Fordhern c Humpage b Mur en c Humpage b Munton ......

Moles at mid-wicket; and Robinson had no pretentions about seeing out the rest of the day. Warwickshire could scarcely BOWLING: Munton 19.5-7-44-4; Small 7-1-34-0: Donald 14-2-45-1; Benjamin 9-2-23-0: Reeve 17-7-26-3; Smith 12-7-22-1; have started the season better. On this evidence, they are well Umpires: D O Osieer and B Dudieston.

standing which we have three

refuse teams, cater for 1,300

car park places inside the

ground, and will be operating

six double-decker buses on a

free park-and-ride scheme

from a mile away for next

Track opener

Brahim Boutayeb, of Morocco, the Olympic 10,000 metres champion, lines up in the 5,000

metres at Sao Paulo tomorrow against the Kenyans, Peter Koech and Charles Cheriuyot,

in the season's opening Grand Prix athletics meeting. Ana

Outrot of Cuba winner of 19

races over 800 metres last year,

Green tribute

Friends and colleagues from

journalism and sport yesterday

attended the funeral of Geoffrey

Green, the former football correspondent of The Times,

who died on May 9 aged 78. The

address of Lawrie Pignon, the former tennis correspondent of

the Daily Mail, at the St Mary

the Virgin Parish Church in Twickenham, Middlesex, paid

particular tribute to Green's gift

for journalism and making

friendships wherever he

"We are employing our own

weeks to sort out.

Headingley danger

By Martin Searby

SPORT IN BRIEF

AFTER a promising start, Derbyshire lost wickets steadily yesterday as they chased a difficult target against Lan-cashire on the fourth and final day at Derby. Derbyshire had been left to make 309 in 3½ hours and 20 overs, but by tea half the side were out with 155 on the board.

On a bitterly cold day the pitch had not deteriorated as much as expected. Atherton and Fitton, the Lancashire spinners, again proved effective against batsmen, more than one of whom contributed to his own Derbyshire made a confident start before lunch when Barnett

and Morris made 40 together from seven overs. DeFreitas, in particular, was unable to find any direction or control. When the two spinners joined the initially, bowled too short and

were forcibly driven or pulled by the batsmen. The score was 64 when the pattern started to change with Barnett, Kuiper and Morris dismissed in succession, partly through their own mistakes Barnett tried to whip Fitton away to the legside too soon against a ball Fitton had held

back and Allott took a straightforward catch at midwicket. Kuiper, on whom so much depended was howled by Atherton at 99 when he went back to cut a ball which went straight on. Morris, looking as if he would play the required big innings, reached a half century in 53 balls, with nine fours, before he was out. He tried to THE Leeds Cricket and Rugby decision," Davies said. "We have met residents to assuage their fears about litter and parking but there seems to sweep Filton but only succeeded in playing the ball into his stumps and the game had swung have been some misunder-

towards Lancashire. Adams drove and pulled both spinners confidently before Atherion changed ends and Hughes used his left-arm spin for the first time in the match. In his third over Hughes got one to straighten as Adams tried to turn him to the legside and he was leg-before.

Wednesday's Texaco inter-Worse was to come for Derby-shire when Atherton bowled national against New Zealand. I don't know what more we Roberts in the last over before tea as the batsman played over a well-flighted ball. When play resumed Hughes had Goldsmith caught low at short extra as he

First thing Lancashire, resuming at 81 for two, batted a further 80 minutes as they added 91 runs. Atherton and Fairbrother completed their second fifties in the match against bowlers who were unable to get any assistance from the pitch. Atherton was run out at 141 by a good piece of work by Barnett.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 445 for 5 dec (G D Mendis 90, M A Atherion 93, N H Fairbrother 63, T E Jesty 55 not out, P A J DeFretias 79). Second Imnings
G D Mendis c and b Jean-Jacques ...... 4
G Fowler c Roberts b Jean-Jacques . 23

White not out ...... Extras (b 5, fb 1, nb 2)

"M D Morton. P E Robinson. D Bytes, P A Grayson, C S Pickles, P J Hartley and D Gough did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-93. BOWLING: Brenes B-1-23-0; Dube 6-1-22-0; Duers 13-3-48-0; Butchart 10-1-39-1; Brent 2-0-9-0.

FENNER'S (third day of three): Essax beat Cembridge University by 120 runs ESSEX: First Innings 319 for 5 dec (P J Pritchard 116, J P Stephenson 58, D R

not os. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-156, 2-155. BOWUNG: Jankins 14-3-48-0; Johnson 4-1-23-0; Pyman 16-5-36-2; Lowrey 5-0-22-0; Buzza 5-1-17-0.

CAMBRIOGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings 201 R Heap 50, J C M Atkinson 51).

A C Seymour b Pyman ...... B R Hardis not out ....... T D Toptey low b Pyman ..... Extras (b 5, lb 4, w 1) .....

Total (2 wkts dec) .

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-45, 3-141. BOWLING: Jeen-Jacques 19-2-55-2; Base 8-1-30-0; Miller 19-5-45-0; Barnet 8-0-28-0. 0-28-0.
DERBYSTABLE: First Innings 309 (K J Barnett, S J Base 54; M A Atherton 5 for 95).
Second Innings
"K J Barnett c Allott b Fitton 33
J E Morris b Fitton 52
A P Kulper b Atherton 13
P D Bonder not out 54
C J Adams law b Hughes 36
B Roberts b Atherton 0
S C Goldsmith c Mendis b Hughes 4
K M Krikken not out 21
Extras 21

Total (5 wids)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-64, 2-99, 3-103, 4-

ZIMBABWEANS: First Innings 147 (P J Hartley 4 for 27).

E A Brandes, K D Duers and L E Dube to

Second Innings
G Flower c Hartley b Gough ......
A H Shah Bw b Gough ......
W R James Rw b Gough ......
G A Briant c Moxon b Pickles .....
C M Robertson c Kellett b Write
A J Punnt b William

Second Irunings
S P James Ibw b Bott
R Heap Ibw b Bott
R A Pyman b Bott
M J Lowrey b Such
M J Lowrey b Such
M J Morrs c Garnham b Andrew
G B Dyer c Pringle b Topkey
† J Arscot c Hardie b Pringle
A J Buzza c Hardie b Bott
R H W Jenkins Ibw b Such

Extras (b 4, lb 8, w 3, nb 7)

TOTAL 153
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-23, 3-24, 4-30, 5-32, 6-76, 7-97, 8-100, 9-150.

BOWLING: Andrew 12-1-34-1; Both 16-2-43-5; Topley 11-2-29-1; Chitch 16-9-18-0; Such 8.1-5-6-2; Pringle 9-3-11-1. Unpires: G I Burgess and J W Holder.

CYCLING

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Four-horm tour-naments: Edinburgh First leg: Edinburgh 32, Glasgow 25, Newcastle 22, Berwick 16, Iperinte Second leg: Iperint 38, Hackney 26, Pys House 22, Arens Essex 10 (agg: Iperich 56, Hackney 57, Sye House 41, Arens Essex

TENNIS

Total (6 wids) .

#### the off spinner, Peter Such, in YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Oxford U v Surrey OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First innings 322 for 6 dac (R E Morris 96, M A Crawley 60; M P Bicknell 4 for 80).

Extras (b 7, tb 5, nb 1) . Total (6 wkts dec) .. Gerrans, S D Weste and †J McGrady FALL OF WACKETS: 1-28, 2-32, 3-33, 4-82, 5-84, 6-134. Umpires: B Leedbeater and K J Lyons, dd not bat. FALL, OF WICKETS: 1-55, 2-62, 3-72, 4-141, 5-151, 6-196. BOWLING: M J Bickinell 7-1-18-0; Robin-son 2-0-14-0; Greig 5-1-15-0; Mediyoott 25-6-69-3; Kendrick 25-4-79-3.

G.S. Clinton c and b Turner 29
D.J. Bicknell b Crawley 33
A.J. Stewart c Crawley b Gerrans 24 

Total (3 wids dec) 222
†D M Ward, 'I A Greeg, K T Mediycont, N M Kendrick, M P Blicknell and J D Robinson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-84, 2-84, 3-99. BOWLING: Henderson 9-1-24-0; Gerrans 13-1-50-1; Crawley 19-5-29-1; Turner 16 4-54-1; Davies 7-1-25-0; Weste 5-0-36-0.

Second innings †D M Ward not out .

#### FOR THE RECORD

Yorkshire v Zimbabweans

Cambridge University v Essex

**ATHLETICS** FOOTBALL SANTANDER: Interneticaci meeting: Men-800m: 1, P Elicet (GB), 1mm 45 20:ee; 2, J Bry (Kan), 1,47.03; 3, J Arctrude (So), 147.18, 1900m: 1, J Lokel (Ken), 2214; 2, J Steckvin (GB), 220 72; 3, P Erang (Ken), 220.78, 3000m: 1, M Foowland (Sp), 7:53.25, 2, A Anton (Sp), 7:53.43; 3, J Karudei (Ken), 733.85, 5000m: 1, E Block (Ken), 12-39, 19; 2, M Fiz (Sp), 1302.49; 3, A Gomez (Sp), 1348.65, Long Jumps 1, A Hermander (So), 734.m; 2, Yussuf All (Nojana), 7:91; 3, S Fautions (GB), 7:77, Pole vasits; 1, P Colleg (Fr), 5:50; 2, J Gerca Chico (Sp), 5:50; 3, I Paradines (Sp), 5:40, Women: 190m: 1, M Ottey (Lami), 11.18 sec. M39: 1, B Nicholson (GB), 4min 38,36sec. FA CUP: Final, replay: Crystal Palace 0, Manchester United 1 (at Wembley). SWEDISH LEAGUE! AIK Stockholm 1, Diurgaarden IF û: IFK Norricoping 2, Ombro SK 2: GAS Gothenburg 0. IFK Gothenburg 1: Hammarby 3, IK Brage 1: Malmo FF 0, Orgryta IS 2; Oster Vary 2, Halmstad BK 0, OFF Creta 2 in Attents

BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE: Miwaukee Brawers 6, Celtomia Angels 3: Seattle Mariners 14, Toronto Stus Juys 6; Mimissota Teats 4, New York Yankees 1: Cheagy White Sox 7, Bailmore Orioles 3: Digrost Tigers 7, Texas Rangers 5 (109ms).

NATIONAL LEAGUE: 3t Louis Cardinals 3, Cincannal Reds 0; Atlanta Braves 6, Pittsburgh Prinstes 1; Houston Astros 5, Chicago Gubs 4 (111ms). BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NEA): Western Conference: Play-offs, acmi-fisiol. San Anto-nio Spurs 112, Portland Traiblazers 97 (Dest-of-seven series level, 3-3). BOXING

AARS, Derenaric WBO englacevolute champ-lonation Magne Havings (Nor) to Richard Pultz (US), 5th. BOWLS COUNTY MATCH: Warwickstein 162, Dorset Tourists 90.

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND JJ CHAMP-JONESHP: Trent Bridge: Goucestershira 147 (K P Grens 4-35) and 192 (G Hodgson 80: K P Evans 5-33), Nothinghamshire 218 (S M Brogen 62). Liverpool: Derbyshira 149 (Weparh Akaran 5-36) ard 85-4; Lencahira 322 (R Irani 63: D G Cork 4-95, E McCray 4-53).

Newbury 5.18 (5)) 1. Food Of Love (Pat Eddery, 9-4 tay); Date 168 Datey (20-1); 3, Ivory Bride (13-2); 10 ran, 1%, %L J Berry, Tota: 23-2); 21-40, 24-80, 12-60, DF: 217-90, CSF: 242-04. Placenot: £5.610.40, Jacknot: got won. Newmarket 5.25 (1m) 1, Segyara (W R Swinburn, 8-11 fav; Mandarin's and Newmarket Correspondent's rapi; 2, Emajarrah (9-2); 3, Dara Dee (20-1). 16 ran. 2), nit. M Stoute, Tota: \$2.00; £1.30, £1.40, £4.10. DF: £3.50.

4.15 (1m) 1. Express Account (G Baxter, 10-1; 2, Island Wedding (5-2 lar); 3. Preset (25-1), 17 nm. 5, 1/1, 17 Williams, Tota: £7,00; £230, £1.80, £11.30, DF; £5.30, CSF; £36.05.

BRELSKO-BIALA, Poland: Peace Race: Tenth stops (RSIstort: 1, M. Goette (RSI), 2ny 30min 37sex; Z. M. De Chroz (Bell, et Geec. 3, M. De Drocalk (Ca), et 10: 4, R. Van De Vin (Neth), et 15: 5. P. Meotser (WSI); 6. E. Alonco (Cuba), same time. Elevantin stage (27tom time-tras); 1, J. Svorada (Ca), et 31: 4, P. Rodinos (Ca), et 21:ec. 3, M. Rich (WSI), et 31: 4, A. Mackowski (Pol), et 31: 5. P. Pedinos (Ca), et 32: 5. Pinel poetfione; 1, Svorada, 37m 53min (Diser; 2, Distz, et 1min (Diser; 3, Pedinos, et 124: 4, Soden, et 124: 5, Mackowski, et 21:5, G. O Chignosi (Fr), et 234. FORT WORTH, Texas: Colonial tournament: Leading Sing-round scores (US unless stated; 66: R Coctrum, 68: C Pevin, 67: R Zokol, T Purtoer, B Maytalr. J Methatley, S Hoch, 68: C Strange, C Byrum, S Utiey, 68: M Webe, R Black, C Dormis, B McCallister, B Crenshaw, L Roberts, K Perry, J Huston.

High Point, North Curoline Pet Bradley Western's International (modified stablelond): Leading first-rocal scenes (US unless stated; 11ghz; M Nause, 10; D Flichard, 9; J Inksar, M Agoers-Ooti (Sp.), S Turner, 8; M Poyer, B Deniel, 7; E Crosby, B Mucha, 6; T-J Myers, C Garring, N Renabottom, British scenes; 2: P Wright, 1; C Piercs, -3; T Johnson, -5; L Devies. 224.
PROPESSIONAL RANGINGS: 1, L. Fignon (Fr).
894.85pts; 2. C. Motset (Fr). 885.47; 3. T.
Romings: (Swinz), 735.59; 4. P. Delgado (Sp),
710.52; 5. G. Bugno filt, 850.25; 6. S. Kelly (Rec of Iraj, 598.97; 7, M. Indursin (Sp). 596.64; 8. R. Sorensen (Den), 586.58; 8. M. Fondriest (II), 576.17; 10, M. Glovennetti (II), 572.66. WOODBROOK, Dublin: Idah PGA champ-lonatige First reand: 70: O Smyth (Golf det Sun), 71: J Heogarty (Ruthmore), T Murphy (Golf stock), 72: C O'Connor Jun (Staley Has), E Darcy (Delgamy), D Jones (Longletow Golf), A O'Cornor (Ward), B McGovern (Portmamoch), E Logue (Knockbracken), 73: P Leonard (Dummury), L Robinson (Bundoran), K Dely (Breystones).

HEXHAM: Northern women's clampionable; Lancashire 4%, Northernbertand 4%; Chesh-ire 7, Durham 2; Yorkshire 8, Cumbra: A AllSUCHC, Jepacs Ben's bornernest Leed-leg Bret-roand soones: 62: T Nakamura; Japan, Northern 2, Japan, Second round carceled due to rain; tournement shortened to 54 holes.

KASHRAL, Japan: Women's trummment: Landing first-round scores (Lepanese unless stated; 58: E. Ishteski. 57: Hueng Yush-chur (Tuhran), 58: (dr. Man-boo (S. Kor), 78: M. Cda,

UNITED STATES PGA TOUR: Leading thoney-windows (US unless stated): 1, G Norman (Aud., \$781.438 j.tout 2.450.00); 2, M Calcavechie, \$832,744; 3, P Stewart, \$804.491; 4, P Azinger, \$315.311; 5, F Couples, \$516.231; 5, J Anaud. \$339.365; 7, R Germar, \$399.264; 8, P Jacobsen, \$352.692; 9, S Bidmigen, \$360.002; 10, M O'Meara, \$327.501; 11, T Simpson, \$313.381; 12, G Morgan, \$307.442; Bridsh phacinger; 16, M Fakio, \$289.517; 107, I Woosnern, \$52.795; 121, A Lyle, \$44.497.

MRIS: Women's intercutionet: 1. P. Swerte Dott), 5.327 pts; 2. M. Pesi (Hurt), 5.311; 3. S. Zox (GS), 5.118. Other intellal placings: 8. H. Scholas, 4.326; 11. L. Kogling, 4.65; 23. M. Surbortey, 4.124. Teats: 1, Hungary.

I felt it. But the pressure is like that every week: I'm used to it

now." He said it with a wan

smile, rather like a man who has

just told you he's grown accus-

tomed to having an impacted

Another who must be feeling pressure is the tournament lead-

er, Richard Boxall, who broke the course record he had estab-

lished the day before with a

round of 64 and a total of 129,

15 under par. But it was difficult

to detect.
Boxall, an engaging 29-year-

old, who is possessed of a countenance on which a grin is

never far away, started from the

10 and within two holes had

holed an eight-iron from 139

yards for an eagle two to

maintain the momentum he had

established the day before.
Two more birdies followed to

take him to the turn in 32, and

wisdom tooth.

## Lucky bounce for Ballesteros ends sponsor's gloom

Monza

THE thunder rolled and the rain good ones in Mark flott and threatened, and in the sponsor's tent the mood was of dark turned career-best performances in yesterday's defeat of Camapprehension. Seve was down, and almost out. What would bridge University by 120 runs at they do in the final two days of their tournament if their star Seymour, aged 22, an old boy of Millfield, unfurled a string of fine strokes in scoring 89 before attraction was on a plane home

In the event, Severiano Ballesteros allayed the oran Essex declaration at 155 for two set the university a victory target of 274 in 210 minutes plus ganizers' fears on the second day of the Italian Open here yes-terday, but the hearts were still llott, aged 19, a left-arm fast-medium bowler from Watford fluttering some time afterwards.

It had been a close-run thing.
The scenario was simple.
Ballesteros was four over par who many see as the natural successor to John Lever, then got to work by taking four of the with seven to play, nowhere near good enough to make the cut; and if he failed, it would first five wickets which fell for 32 at a personal cost of 10 runs. He ended with five for 43 as make a telephone-number in-Essex were taken into the extra half hour by a stubborn innings by Lowrey, last man out for 69.

vestment worthless.

Ballesteros was struggling with a radical change in his swing, and he was not being saved by his putting. And then There was much more excite-ment in the Parks where David Ward, promoted to open the batting for Surrey after they had been set 308 in 100 minutes plus 20 overs to beat Oxford Univercame the huge stroke of luck that even a golfing genius needs from time to time. He had already birdied the sity, responded with a remark-able display of hitting as the county side raced towards this 12th hole to claw one stroke back when he stepped up to hit his tee shot on the 14th, a sharply dog-legged par five of 510 yards. His drive went into a fairment bunker, he migned a

stiff target. Ward reached a hundred from 84 balls, baving bit a six and 15 fours, and went past his pre-vious best score of 145, made against Oxford last season, as he outscored his partner. Darren

**Ilott** and

Seymour maintain

tradition

By Geoffrey Wheeler ESSEX, who have such ar

enviable reputation for produc

ing talented young cricketers seem to have found two more

Adam Seymour, who both re-

Fenner's.

20 overs.

Discording the to one.

Oxford, who would appear to be much the stronger of this year's university teams in bat-

year's university teams in batting, had declared for the second
time in the game after an
innings of 44 from the
nightwatchman, Ian Henderson.
The Zimbabwe touring team
were happy to settle for a draw
after losing three quick wickets
to another promising young
bowler, Yorkshire's Darren
Gough, after being set 299 at
Headingley. The touring side
ended at 159 for six.

Botham is

back for

Worcester

IAN Botham will return to the

Worcestershire side today, just over a fortnight after a knee

operation, for the match with Essex, who finished only six

points behind the champions last season, despite having 25

points deducted by the TCCB

The availability of Botham is

finger. Also returning are the wicketkeeper. Steve Rhodes,

Dilley, who missed the defeat by

Essex include the young all-

rounder. Nadeem Shahid, and

the New Zealanders.

Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

only one dropped shot on the third marred an inward half of 32 which included five more birdies. Boxall still faces high quality opposition, notably from José-Maria Olazabal and Craig Stadler, who shares second place, seven shots behind. It may already be too late for him to be caught - and if he is, it will fairway bunker, he nipped a two-iron cleanly off the sand

fairway bunker; he nipped a two-iron cleanly off the sand and watched in disappointment as his second landed in a greenside trap. From there he played a shot that he admitted was not hit properly, it bounced once and disappeared into the hole. An eagle three. He was on his way.

Less than an hour later two more birdies helped him to come in with a 68, which when added to his first-round 75 put him one under par. The panic, at last, was over.

As he sat and talked of his round, Ballesteros was moved into a mood of revelation. "If I had sold the cut it would not be a disaster for me," he said. "But if I missed the cut it would be bad for the sponsors, bad for the people who come to see me play.

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## TV acolyte bursts forth to lead open

FROM an entry bristling with on duty. The rest was obscurity internationals, home and until yesterday.

abroad, a little known Essex He got to the turn in four player, Jon Robson, sprang to under par, having dropped a prominence with a 67, five shot at the 2nd where a pulled under par, at Burnham and

especially welcome, because Worcestershire are still without Graeme Hick, who has a broken English open amateur strokeplay championship back in the
clubhouse, not one other player
had broken the par of 72 for the
had broken the par of 72 for the
lath and 15th, put him in direct after three weeks out of the side because of a fractured thumb, and Tim Curtis and Graham 6,680-yard course and few of line for the course record but the those still playing seemed to 18th, as in Thursday's qualify-harbour such an ambition.

A four at the last (449 yards) would have equalled Peter Baker's record, set in 1986, but his own success. Hovering over his second, he disgarded a fiveiron in favour of a six "because the adrenalin was running

It was not quite enough, for the ball drifted right into a bunker and, although he played a fine shot from the sand over a steep lip, the 20st putt slipped

by. Robson, a part-time green-grocer, aged 22, is another golfer who first drew inspiration from images on the box - "Trevino

and Nicklaus and that crowd". At the age of 10 he raided the piggy bank to acquire an £8.50 Sam Snead pitching wedge. For four years he knew no other golf club and used to pitch onto the cricket square of the local club. mostly when the light began to fade and no groundsman stood

two-iron off the tee forced him errow.

to lay up. He made three birdies
With half the field for the 10 the turn and, strikingly, an

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Among the early starters only Colin Edwards, four times the Somerset champion, offered any Robson was a victim almost of threat to Robson. He was three shot at all three finishing holes, driving into a bunker at 16. needing a third putt at 17 and suffering an unkind kick into a gully at 18.

Jonaathan Hodgson, a painter and decorator ("mostly in the winter") also matched par, thanks to an eagle three at the 15th (479 yards). With a helping wind he hit a one-iron 230 yards to within 10ft and holed the putt.

holed the putt, LEADING FIRST-ROUND SCORES: 87: J Robson (Orsett). 72: J S Hodgson (Tytherington). C S Edwards (Bath). 73: G S Pooley (Aldenham). 74: G Evans (Worthing, E A McIntosh (Turnhouse), R Searie (Righ Post). 75: G Clark (Rochtord Hundred), D G Lane (Goring and Streatley), N Leconte (Berkhamsted), C Tingey (Mid Herls), O Edmond (Fr), D C Hodgson (Stoke Poges), S Graham (Ham Menor), C Pottler (Fr). 76: F Gooveerts (Neth).

### Collinson's birdie burst shatters course record

By a Special Correspondent

ROBERT Collinson, aged 30, from Gourock, shattered the Nairn Dunbar course record vith a remarkable eight-underpar 63 in the third round, to make a significant move up the leader board in the £20,000 Clydesdale Bank Northern

Open. Collinson, a former Sconish assistants' champion, achieved his score, a record for the Tartan Tour, with an amazing run of seven successive birdies from the eighth hole. It was a burst that almost equalled the Euro-pean Tour best of eight consec-utive birdies, held by lan

**ATHLETICS** Second chance for Ashburn

BRIAN Ashburn, of Clydebank, who was denied a Scottish long jump record in the first Panasonic Scottish League match because there was no wind gauge and the low level of the sand in the pit, has a chance to redeem the situation at Crownpoint Stadium, Glasgow tomorrow, when he competes for Clydebank in the second of the season's first division league matches.

The Crownpoint pit is considered to be one of the better ones in the country and Ashburn should be well capable of repeating the 7.55 metres he achieved at the Dam Park, Ayr, two

That was 7 centimetres better than Ken McKay's record for native-born Scots in meetings in Scotland.

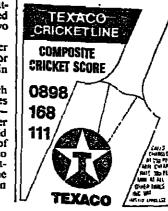
The national record - which can be set anywhere by athletes eligible to represent Scotland of 7.67m set by Dave Walker has stood since 1968 and could also be within the range of Ashburn, who was unjucky to miss out on selection for Scotland's sprint relay team in the Commonwealth Games in

Woosnam and Seve Ballesteros. It was a score that gave him a six-under-par aggregate of 207. only four behind the joint-leaders. Colin Brooks and Fraser Mann, going into the final round. Brooks, aged 24, the defending champion, had started the day a shot ahead, but lost that advantage after firing a 69 compared to Mann's 68. Mann, aged 30, of Ballater, had been struggling during the early part of his round, but covered the last six holes in a splendid five-under-par.

LEADING THIRD-ROUND SCORES: 204: C Brooks (Chescor), 67, 58, 55; F Mann Ballater, 99, 57, 88, 207: R CORRESON (Gourock), 72, 72, 63, 208: S Martin (North Engineering), 74, 68, 66; B Barnes (West Chittington), 72, 68, 68; P Lyons (Sundridge Park, 73, 88, 57; G Farr (Ludkow), 70, 67, 71, 210; R Wein (Cowal), 58, 71, 71, 211: J King (Worksop), 69, 73, 58, 212; J Chelas (Sufring), 69, 76, 67; C Imiah (unattached), 72, 73, 67; P Hinton (Raddiffe-on-Trent), 74, 71, 67; W Guy (Bucharian Castle), 71, 71, 70; K Stables, Ranfurly Castle), 72, 69, 71, 213: K Watter (Kings Links), 71, 72, 73; A McCusen (Turnberry), 72, 71, 70; P Lawme (Banchory), 69, 73, 71. LEADING THIRD-ROUND SCORES: 204

Ashurst freed

Jack Ashurst, the Doncaster Rovers captain who has made over 500 League appearances, has been given a free transfer by the fourth division football club



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## The man in black takes an encore

England's most impressive referee intends to be a controlling figure in the World Cup finals

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NO ONE who witnessed the performance of the American referee in the recent match between the Republic of Ireland and the Soviet Union in Dublin can look forward to the World Cup with equanimity. 'I'm afraid the standard of refereeing in the World Cup could be scandalous," one Irish player said

"Who knows what that ref would have been like if the boots were flying? The only referees who can cope when the boots are flying are the English, because they are used to a physical game."

Sometimes, as at Wembley on Thursday and Roker Park on Sunday, English referees can seem too used to physical games, virtually ignoring mayhem. There is no fear of that happening when George Courtney is around, as the contrast between events in the volatile atmosphere at St James' Park on Wednesday and the FA Cup finalon Thursday illustrates.

While things at Wembley got out of hand, on Tyneside, Courtney showed he was in control from the start and not even the pitch invasion disturbed his easy authority. It was an impressive performance and there can be no fears about his choice as the English representative on the World Cup panel for the second successive

"I'm not frightened of taking on responsibility," he said. "I think I'm flexible. I'll share a joke with a player, which sometimes doesn't work and I fall flat on my face. There are varieties of approach, but there is one essential question: did he have control? You never see the top English referees lose control.

He had his moments of controversy earlier in his career. In the 1980 FA Cup final, his decision to book, not send off, Willie Young, of Arsenal, for the so-called "pro-fessional" foul which denied Paul Allen a goal, was an important factor in the FA's advice that such fouls should be treated as sendingoff offences.

Courtney did not take that advice to heart if his subsequent actions were anything to go by. He only booked Bruce Grobbelaar for scything down Gordon McQueen near the touchline as Manchester United broke free in the 1983 Milk Cup

He has come a long way, although he was always in the fast lane. In 1974, he enjoyed his first senior FA Cup match. It was at Old Trafford. This is your cup final, isn't it son?" Tommy Docherty said.

There have been bigger occasions since, with three European finals, both domestic finals and, in Mexico, the third place play-off between France and Belgium. "That was a beautiful game because there was no pressure, but it was one step away bitious, I want to go to Italy and referee the final. I must be the only



Flag of convenience: Courtney runs the line at Rochdale as part of his preparation for the World Cup finals in Italy

Englishman who wants Bobby Robson to do well up to the semi-final and no further.

If Courtney fulfils that ambition, it at least would mean the final will be in good hands, for he is probably refereeing better than ever. His other ambition, "to be the first referee kept on to 65" may be less likely, but he clearly has several years left in him. The days when an assessor described him as "ebullient" have passed."I'm still as fit, but I use it better. I used to be knackered after 20 minutes, I was running around so much because I

was so desperate to keep control." A headmaster in a primary school in Spennymoor in his other life one would be tempted to say in his spare time if he did not clearly devote as much energy to his charges as to his refereeing commitments - his refereeing is magisterial in the best sense, his authority all

for a series of subtle changes.

namesake and the best sweeper in the lower divisions, McNab

influential in midfield and Muir

and Malkin ever likely to score.

Above all, there is Jimmy
Harvey, the team's playmaker
and the best passer in the third
division. After mixed fortunes

at Arsenal, Hereford United and Bristol City, Harvey reaches

Wembley playing better than ever at the age of 32. His wonderful touch and vision

should be the key to the after noon's entertainment and, if he

takes to those open spaces, the spectators will be in for a treat.

"It's all down to levels of acceptability, concocting ways of selling decisions to people," he said. "I'm a salesman really. But perhaps because all the players have grown up knowing me, there is a mutual trust and respect which is a great help. The days of the old, authoritarian headmaster are going anyway. You are much more of a democrat as a headmaster nowadays than they used to be."

That clearly fits Courtney's own preference, but players know better than to try to take advantage of his relaxed approach. He is a consummate professional, working, and training under the guidance of Kevin Archer, as hard on his refereeing as any full-time footballer, and he resents being described as an amateur.

"I'm a professional. I had prered for the semi-final for mo approach and attitude. I've taken tremendous responsibility on the

years and years shaping myself and my personality as a referee, with all the nights training and the nights given over to the other side of the job, the educational side, attending referee's society meetings and lec-tures. One-and-a-half hours on a Saturday is the fulfilment of hours

The day we met, Courtney was on his way to Rochdale to run the line. FIFA requiring their World Cup squad to have five refresher games as linesmen before arrival in Italy. His third match in seven days was a stark contrast to the two previous games, the European Cup semi-final in Marseilles, followed by the Liverpool v Crystal Palace semifinal at Villa Park, but his preparation and professional approach was equally serious.

"In the last five years, the increasing pace and physical the more imposing for being quietly and I'm a professional in my commitment in the game put a and I enjoy refereeing teams like

rity which is so abundant in

they indulge in provocation,

as did Steve Coppell's team,

they deserve to lose all sym-

pathy. Palace scarcely even

bothered to play anything

recognizable as football until

Martin put United ahead on

Mercifully, Ferguson's men

the hour.

referee in terms of preparing. Our fitness has to be without question.

"I'm talking at all levels now from European semi-finals to the fourth division. In Marscilles, the pace was quite intimidating; the commit-ment at speed is incredible, which causes huge problems for officials in determining intent."

But Courtney insists that overall the game is easier to referee than it was when he began at the beginning of the Seventies. "There are very few difficult players," he said, laughingly refusing to name them, because the over-the-top merchants have gone.

The Wimbledon style is difficult in a way because the ball is in the air so much, and there are more arms being used in the game than ever before. But it makes for an exciting game. I don't care what systems are being used as long as I'm in control, Wimbledon and Crystal Palace."

## players

yet again By Ian Ross

TERRY Yorath, the manager of Wales, will face an all too familiar problem before he finalizes the team which will play the World Cup finalists, Costa Rica, at Cardiff's Ninian Park tomorrow afternoon.

Although Yorath has grown

accustomed to seeing his senior international squad weakened months he will find that the end of the domestic season has done little to improve the attendance record of his more experienced

players. Seven of Yorath's original squad have already withdrawn, and although Hughes and Blackmore, who were on FA Cup final duty for Manchester United on Thursday night, have travelled to South Wales, the level of their fitness remains an unknown quantity. Ratcliffe, Rush, Phillips, Ma-

gnire, Holden, and Bowen have all had to be discarded because of injury, and Norman, the Sunderland goalkeeper, has withdrawn because his side are

involved in the second division play-off final against Swindon Town at Wembley.

Costa Rica are included in Scotland's World Cup group in Italy and Yorath is anticipating

Emeric Jenei, has announced his country's World Cup squad for Italy (Chris Thau writes). The squad of 21 has gathered in Bucharest for the game against Egypt on Monday.
The 22nd member of the

squad is likely to be the controversial Red Star Belgrade central defender, Miodrag Belodedici. Belodedici, who defected to Yugoslavia several vears ago, has agreed to play for Romania in Italy.

Romania in Italy.

SQUAD: S Ling (Straua, capt), B Steins (Dynamo), C Liline (Piosti), D Petrescu (Steaua), I Andone (Dynamo), G Popascu (Craiova), M Rednic (Dynamo), E Sandoi (Craiova), M Riche (Dynamo), G Regi (Steaua), D Sabes (Dynamo), G Regi (Steaua), D Tasche (Dynamo), D Lupe (Dynamo), Z Massamy (Steaua), D Manaut (Dynamo), B Lacetus (Steaua), D Manaut (Dynamo), B Lacetus (Steaua), G Balint (Steaua), F Reduccioiu (Dynamo), R Camataru (Charleioi, Belgium).

e Sweden (Morld Cup Schlad: T Ravelli (IFK Gothenburg), S Andersson (Craybe IS), L Eritesco (IFK Nortophyl. J Eritesco (Alk), G Hysen (Liverpool, P Lanson (Asy), R Lung (Young Boys), R Mileson (Sheffirki Wednesday), M Nythen (Matho FF), S Schwerz (Matho FF), L Engewist (Matho FF), K Ingeston (Melmo FF), K Ingeston (Melmo FF), K Brother, J Mileson (Melmo FF), G Stromberg (Atalanta), J Them (Bentice), T Broth (IFK Norrhophyl), J Ekstrom (Cantree), M Gren (Grasshoppers), M Magnusson (Bentice), S Bellinger, Alland

## Up for the cup and \_= looking towards the next century

From a Special Correspondent

IN THE eight years since the National League Cup competition was introduced, Kingussie have made it very much their own triangle from the count triang gussie have made it very much the ti their own, winning five times in year. six appearances, including the

When they meet this year's opponents from the south of Scotland, Glenorchy, they must be favoured to continue their winning sequence and collect a magnificent silver salver from David McCarthy, the chairman of Marine Harvest, the largest fish-farming company in the world and sponsors of the league championships.
As these leagues operate sepa-

rately in the north and the south of the country, today's event is the culmination of achievements throughout the season, with the winners of the north division one title meeting their

Southern counterparts.

Kingussie narrowly earned the right to defend the trophy, finishing one point ahead of Skye in the closest contest for the title inyears. Glenorchy have had an even more difficult road they won a play-off against. Oban Camanachd by the narrowest margin on Monday evening to become south champions for the first time and earn their first appearance in a senior cur final

cup final.
The history of both teams achievements in recent years is similar: both have pursued a vigorous youth policy, building play together in primary school competitions. Kingussie, for long overshadowed by their near-neighbours, Newtonmore, owe much to the talents of lan Ross and Donnie Grant, outstanding players in the last two decades.

By careful coaching and rig-orous training, they have built up a side — and with sufficient reserves — to overcome almost

Glenorchy, who come from Dalmally, a small village 25 miles from Oban, have followed a parallel course. Most of the players in the side were in the team which won the MacKay Cup for primary schools 10

years ago. Although they may not have had such distinguished coaches, they have, over the past few years, provided the main opposition to Kyles Athletic, who

The arrival in the village of Carol Grey, a schoolteacher with an interest in fitness training is the key to their achieve-ment this season. Ironically she, as the only female coach of a top shinty club, will not be with them today as she has a long-

hern

them today as she has a long-standing educational commit-ment with the next generation of pupils who could be Glen-orchy's stars in the next century. Kingussie will field the side which won the first of this season's main trophies: the Bank of Scotland MacTavish Cup at the same venue last month. Their leading goalscorer, Kevin Thain, who has more than 30 goals to his condit this condit this has more than 30 goals to his credit this season, returns after being concussed by one of his colleagues in the quarter-final of the Glenmorangie Camanacht Trophy against Skye a fortnight ago. He has indicated that he will be wearing a hurling-style helmet to avoid a repeat of such a mishap.

Jimmy Gow, after injury, rejoins his midfield colleagues, Rory Fraser, Ally Dallas, Ross Grant and Dave Anderson, to ensure that it continues to be the

ensure that it continues to be the powerhouse of yet another

success.
Glenorchy are under no illusion as to the daunting task they undertake, but claim they are themselves. The strength of their talent can be measured by the fact that in a new series of junior shinty/hurling inter-nationals against Ireland they have collected no fewer than

while they may not have the collective talent which is available to Kingussie, they have outstanding forwards in Keith MacIntyre and Des McNultyre onstanding forwards in Keith MacIntyre and Des McNulty-and stalwart defenders in the veteran Dougie Livingstone and Allan MacKechnie.

Thomson, S Borthwick, R Fr. Dalls, J Gow, R Grant, D Ande Borthwick, K Thain, A Macisaec. Clark, R Jones, B Shaw. Rateree: B Davies (Fort William).

**YACHTING** 

## **Rothmans speeds** nearer to leaders

By Barry Pickthall

AS THE leading yachts hit light headwinds in the Western Approaches yesterday, the battle to win the final stage of the Whitbread Round the World

After a week of playing second fiddle to their New Zealand the British entry, Maiden, re-rivals on Fisher & Paykel, Peter ported yesterday that conditions Blake and his crew aboard Steinlager 2 were back in the lead. However, the gap was a mere five miles and since Steinlager 2 was on the opposite tack to Grant Dalton's yacht and making two knots less speed, her lead may have been brief. Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss sloop, Merit, leapfrogged three boats overnight to take third

place and narrow the gap on the leaders to 20 miles. Rothmans, the leading British maxi, which must beat Merit into Southampton by 81/2 hours to take third place overall, continued to set the fastest speed yesterday to move up to fourth, an equal distance from the finish to the Spanish entry

Fortuna.
This Visiers designed ultralight does not perform well in light airs and is expected to drop back, leaving the two New Zealand ketches, Merit and Rothmans to fight it out as they have done on each of the

The lighter winds mean that the first arrivals are not expected to reach Southampton until late on Monday, with the division three yachts following on Thursday or Friday. Tracy Edwards, the skipper of

550 miles behind Steinlager 2 are just as frustrating. She said:
"The wind is only 13 knots from the East and we can't steer our required course. We hope there will be a change tonight which will allow us to tack and go the way we want to."

Way we want to.

LEADING POSITIONS (at 10:58 GMT. yesterday, with miles to Southampton): Made division: 1, Steiniager 2 (P. Biako, NZ), 782 miles; 2, Fisher & Paykol (G. Dafton, NZ), 785; 3, Merit (P. Ferlimann, Switz), 782; equal 4, Rottamans (I. Smith, GB) and Fortune (J. Santana, S.), 803; 6, The Card (R. Nilson, Swe), 613; 7, Balmont Finland (H. Hartimo, Fin), 627; 8, Fazisi (V. Alaxeev), 839; 9, UBF Finland (I. Ingvall, Fin), 1,024; 10, Gatorade (H. Lan, N), 1,032; 11, Liverpool Enterprise (B. Salmon, GB), 1,034; 12, NCB Ireland (J. English, Ire), 1,071; 13, Charles Jourdan (A. Gabbey, Fr), 1,102; 14, Satouche British Delandar (Cdr C Watters, GB), 1,167, Division 2: 1, Equity & Law (D. Nautz, Meth) 398, Division 2: 1, L'Esont de Liberte (P. Tabarty, Fr), 1,145; 2, Rucarnor Sport (B. Dubols, Bel), 1,256; 3, Maiden (T. Edwerds, GB), 1,314; 4, Schlussel von Bremen (H. Mulen-Florik, Wg), 1,390; 5, La Poste (D. Maile, Fr), 1,575. Cruiser division: 1, Creighton's Naurally (J. Chittenden, GB), 1,051; 2, With Integrity (A. Cogtill, GB) 1,728.

#### **MOTOR RALLYING**

## to pole By Stephen Slater

THE two Mercedes Benz sports cars, driven by Jean-Louis Schlesser, of France, and Jochen Mass, of Germany, headed the British Jaguars of Martin Brundle and Andy Wallace in the battle for pole position in the first qualifying session of the Empire Trophy world sports car championship race at Silverstone, which takes place

tomorrow.

The leading Mercedes, which will be driven by Schlesser and Mauro Baldi, the Italian, in the 300-mile race, lapped the track at an average speed of more than 148mph, in 1min 12.073sec, two seconds inside the track record and a second faster than the

leading Jaguar.
The cars have a second qualifying session today and the Mercedes team, although confident of success, are facing pressure from Jaguar and the Porsche driven by Jonathan Palmer and Tiff Needell. The Nissan of Kenny Acheson and Julian Bailey also looks promising, although they were unable

to match the pace of the Mercedes in practice. Mercedes were running a lot of boost through their turbo-chargers. Bailey said, after qualifying in sixth place. "We can't match that in qualifying, but when all the teams reduce boost to complete the race on

our fuel allocation it will be a

CHALIFYING TIMES: 1, Mercedes Benz (Schlesser end Baidi), Imin 12.073sec; 2, Mercedes (Mass and Schumacher), 1:12.453; 3, Jaguar (Brumble and Ferte), 1:13.006; 4, Jaguar (Lammers and Wai-isce), 1:13.827; 5, Porsche (Palmer and Needel), 1:14.800; 6, Nissan (Bailey and Acheson), 1:15.313.

## Mercedes Philippart lead race risks finish to help girl

By Jeremy Hart

HYWEL Philippart, the only British competitor in this week's 3500km Atlas Rally through Morocco, risked not finishing his first major desert rally by stopping to administer first aid to a female motorcyclist, who had crashed on the final day of the 10-day marathon.

the spokesman for Philippart's team, Honda-France, said: "Hywel was very unselfish and courageous to stop. and help the girl, he had a chance of finishing higher but he decided to stop."

Philippart, aged 27, from North London, a designer of recording studios, finished the rally in 72nd position out of 102

motorcycles who started the The tough nature of the event and the British rider's unfamiliarity with the techniques

of long-distance riding prevented him from a higherplaced finish. The rally was won, in the car class, by Pierre Lartigue, of. France, in a Mitsubishi. The-

Japanese manufacturer filled three of the top five places, split by Jacky Ickx, the Belgian former grand prix driver, in a Lada. The winner of the motorcycle class was Stephane Peterhansel, of France, on a Yamaha\_

PROVISIONAL RESULTS: Care: 1 Lar-tique (Misubishi), 4tr 27min 19sec; 2, Riviere (Lada), 4.26; 3, Shinozuća (Misubishi), 15.22; 4, Ickv. (Lada), 22.49; 5, Fortheney (Misubishi), 40.08, Meter-cycles: 1, Peterhansel (Yamsha), 21.05.27; 2, Charbonnier (Kawssaid), 19.23; 3, Moraiss (Husquans), 19.27; 4, Laporie (Kawasaid), 52.22; 5 Bisnchy (Honda), 2.43.11.

#### A final to restore faith in finals By Keith Blackmore

FOR those disappointed by the FA Cup final replay on Thursday, consolation may be at and if Bristol Rovers reach the FA Cup final replay on Thursday, consolation may be at hand. The Leyland DAF Cup final, to be played at Wembley tomorrow, brings together the best team in the lower divisions of the Football League, Bristol Rovers, and the most attractive, Tranmere Rovers.

Both have enjoyed success this season. Bristol Rovers won the third division championship and Tranmere will be back at wembley to play Norts County next Sunday in the final of the third division play-offs.

The final should provide the

classic confrontation between a team which relies on organizateam which relies on organiza-tion and discipline and one which depends on flair and an often thrilling passing game. Bristol Rovers are the disci-plined ones, as their League record shows. They won 26 of their 46 matches, losing only five, none at home. They scored 71 goals but conceded only 35, the fewest in the division. Tranmere let in 49, but were the leading scorers in the League with 86 goals on their way to

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fourth place. Bristol Rovers' record was all the more remarkable for the fact that the club sold Martyn, the goalkeeper, and Penrice, the leading scorer, to Crystal Palace and Watford respectively in the middle of the season. Without them the team lacks outstandthem, the team lacks outstanding individuals but Yates, in central defence, and Mehew, in midfield (just recovered from injury), are promising. In attack, Saunders has begun to fill the gap left by Penrice.

But the team's greatest strength will be on the sidelines. Gerry Francis, their manager, pulls the strings with skill and imagination, never more so than at half-time. His tactical

## Spectators Will be in for a treat. BRISTOL ROVERS: B Parkin: I Alexander, G Twentyman, S Yates, V Jones, D Mahow, I Hollomey, A Reece, P Purnell, D White, C Saunders, Substitutes: P Nuxon, C McClean. TRANSERE ROVERS: (from) E Nixon: S Yokers, M Hughes, S Mungell, A Thomas, J Harvey, N McNab, J Steel, I Muir, C Maßein, S Garnett, M McCarrick, D Marindelle, J Morrissey, E Bishop, D Feirolough. Chelsea get their man

CHELSEA yesterday secured the transfer of Andy Townsend from Norwich City for £1.5 million (Louise Taylor writes).
Bobby Campbell, the Chelsca
manager, talked to the Republic
of Ireland international midfield player for seven hours on Thursday to persuade him to opt for Sumford Bridge instead of Arsenal, Everton, or Genoa, who were also interested in his

Services.
Townsend, who was named in the Irish World Cup squad on Thursday, moved to Norwich from Southampton for £350,000 two years ago.

 Manchester United chairman Martin Edwards has called on English supporters to give his club a chance to recreate their European glory nights.

United's FA Cup final replay win over Crystal Palace on Thursday has put them in line for a place in the European Cup Winners' Cup if English clubs are allowed back into Europe

next season. But UEFA are waiting to see if English fans behave themselves in this summer's World Cup before they make a decision on whether clubs can be readmitted after a five-year absence.

Edwards pointed to the lack of trouble at the two Cup games at Wembley as an optimistic order. There was not an ounce of trouble in either of our matches with Crystal Palace. The fans have been marvellous. "I doubt whether there has been one piece of bad behaviour. They respected each other"

## United see ray of hope Wales lose as final curtain closes

AS NIGHT fell on the season, so a ray of hope shone for Manchester United. The FA interval in difficulties. Cup triumph, their more Tranmere had better be ready optimistic supporters will For all that, Tranmere are the belated compensation for the more likely to quicken the pulse of the neutral spectator. John comparative emptiness over the preceding 10 months. It represents, perhaps, the dawn of a genuine challenge for the championship next season.

King's team has two modes of operation: the grimly effective, used when a good result is necessary (as away wins against Bristol City and Leyton Orient demonstrated), and the flat-out Denis Law, who naturally attack (best exemplified by a late-season demolition of sees nothing but the sunniest horizon for his former club, Northampton Town).
Since the Leyland DAF final recalls the day when he fea-tured in their Wembley vicis the less important of their two Wembley fixtures, it may not be tory 27 years ago. United, who had needed to win their too much to hope that we will be treated to their most entertainclosing League fixture to be ing on Sunday.
They do not lack for individcertain of avoiding relegation, ual talent. Nixon is a reliable, occasionally brilliant goal-keeper, Mark Hughes is as robust as his international were the underdogs then

against Leicester City. He scored, typically on the turn. United won 3-1 and they subsequently carried a surfeit of belief into the following season. They finished as the runners-up to Liverpool and went on to claim the title in 1965 and 1967 and, in 1968. the European Cup. The seeds

THE ploy of linking the pur-

chase of a season ticket for next season to the offer of a seat at

should enable Crystal Palace to

strengthen themselves for the first division.

Having seen Palace's perfor-

mance at the national stadium,

from the Football Association,

but although that should be a

healthy figure, the crowds for

earlier rounds were not that big.

Nevertheless we have already

sold 6.000 season tickets, and

September.

Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent, reviews the first division.

believe, was not merely a ever since to regain the championship and there have though, point to the prolonged pair, Robson and Webb, as an

settled. An expensive array of

Crystal Palace did nothing the FA Cup Final replay to suggest that standards have improved. Their display in the FA Cup final replay on Thursday night was filled with physical brutality and wild

been few signs this season that Alex Ferguson would be able to fulfil expectations. He can, absence of his central midfield excuse for the continuing disappointment. United have never been Palace's conduct. Underdogs can snarl and bite but once

talent was shuffled not only from week to week but also been employed in a variety of

and, latterly, even Webb.

resisted the temptation to The present squad, bought retaliate and their quality for £13-million, cannot even begin to be compared eventually emerged during one of the most unappealing favourably to the team which included Best, Law and showpieces for many a year.

aggression. Even Wimbledon, the crudest exponents of the long-ball game, did not descend to such depths when they smothered Liverpool at Wembley two years ago. There can be no excuse for

from beginning to end of individual matches. Ince and Phelan, for instance, have positions and Hughes has been partnered in turn by McClair, Wallace, Robins

By Louise Taylor

They won the Cup on merit. Palace earned nothing but sown at Wembley.

United have been waiting

Charlton. Yet, as long as injury does not again disrupt Ferguson's designs, it could

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Falace earned nothing but discredit for their wretched fixture. "We saw exactly what Egypt were capable of when they defeated Scotland, and that goes to prove that no international side can be taken lightly these days" he said.

> By then, Steve Coppell, the manager of Palace, is certain to have invested some of the profit on new players to strengthen a squad which spent much of last season fending off relegation. Palace have already joined Rangers, of Scotland, and

those who bought may regret their new-found commitment to Arsenal in inquiring as to the availability of Mark Wright, of Derby County and England. Coppell is also interested in David Linighan, of Ipswich watching the team over an entire season, but the allure of the Cup Final has resulted in the sale of 6,000 season tickets at Town, and John Dreyer, of Selhurst Park, compared to a Luton Town. However, Gary O'Reilly, John Salako (who is to total of 3,500 sold by last have talks with Metz, of France), Perry Suckling, the Michael Hurst, the Palace reserve goalkeeper, and David Madden, who has been given a free transfer, are all expected to secretary, said yesterday: "The club has profited by about £800,000 from gate receipts and part company with the club this television rights, at Wembley alone. We have yet to receive the receipts for the semi-final Palace have said they will retain lan Wright, who came on

as a substitute and scored twice

in the 3-3 draw on Saturday but

they are bound to receive tempt-

ing offers for him.

hope to have more to count by right to not to play lan Wright from the start. I have no regrets. The players have had a marvel-lous season and it is enormously encouraging for the future."

> ● The composition of the GM Vauxhali Conference next season will not be finalized until May 29 when the Football Association hear an appeal by Dover Athletic, the Beazer Homes League champions, against their rejection because their Crabble Athletic Ground did not meet the necessary

Conference inspectors will visit Wexham Park, the ground of the Vauxhall League cham-Coppell said yesterday: "I was pions, Slough Town, tomorrow.

Coppell and his players will have time to contemplate the future over the next two weeks: they fly out to the West Indies for a two-week holiday today.

will go to Bath City, who share their Twerton Park ground with Bristol Rovers, the third division champions.

If the appeal fails, the place

## After the fall, the rise of a new nation

ROMANIAN sport seems to have been left immune to the divisive forces of the elections, which take place tomorrow. Sport is a rel-atively conservative establishment and the profound changes taking place in the country after the revolution have created a state of unease among athletes and sport

Only two former athletes, both Olympic champions, Lia Manoliu, the 1968 discus gold medal winner in Mexico City, and Doina Melinte, who won the 800 metres at Los Angeles in 1984, ran for parliament on the National Salvation Front list. Three other former athletes, Christian Gatu, Mircea Lucescu and Vasile Ianul, had to withdraw after a decree which banned members of the armed forces or the Interior Ministry from standing as candidates.

Paradoxically, the future of Romanian sport depends more on the outcome of the battle between the interim Sports Minister,

Mircea Angelescu, and the two military clubs from Bucharest. Steaua and Dinamo, than the result of the equally uncompromising

electoral race. "It is clear that in order to implement the new democratic structures in sport the two clubs must sever their links with the military establishments." Angelescu said. "They are fighting tooth and nail to retain their position and privileges but I think that their time is up."

This was the second time I had met the chain-smoking minister since the revolution. He wasappointed to help Romanian sport regain its seat after decades of neglect and mismanagement. His achievements are considerable. He injected a new lease of life into the fledgling federations, allowed the formation of ruling bodies in sports banned by communists, like golf, martial arts and bridge, and organized free elections while supporting the sacking of corrupt or incompetent administrators.

Romania, a country renowned for its sporting excellence, has been adjusting to life after the fall

of the Ceausescu regime. Chris Thau, a Romanian journalist based in England, has

returned to his homeland on the eve of the elections to see the changes that freedom has brought and what it holds for the future

"The economic reform still to come will change the face of sport in Romania," he said. "The change from centralized to market economy will lead to an upheaval. There will be many problems, countless clubs will go under.

Working people will refuse to subsidize enterprise athletes any more. This could lead to the end of the so-called state professional. We are trying to prepare ourselves for this dramatic change. "I have warned about this

approaching crisis but my words have been badly received. After the

teach children the pleasure of sport from an early age, otherwise we are going to lose them. "We have been working on that together with the Education Min-

> Institute in Bucharest." Of all ministerial decisions, the

elections, whoever runs Romanian

sport will have to deal with all these

issues. So far we have tried to use

the schools as the framework for

the relaunch of Romanian sport

We have decided to reinstate sport

in the primary schools. We have to

istry and we have just doubled the number of seats available at the PE

crusade against the Steaua and Dinamo clubs has been the most controversial. The Ministry of the Interior seemed eager to accept a change in the way Dinamo was subsidized. Several weeks ago I saw a document signed by the Minister of the Interior in which he agreed to dispose of the assets, worth about 90 million lei (about £2.6 million), of the two Dinamo clubs

in Bucharest and Brasov."

The position of the Bucharest club has changed since Angelescu was harshly criticized by several top athletes and coaches. The former Romanian football manager, Mircea Lucescu, a highly respected and influential coach with Dinamo Bucharest, was sharply critical of the ministerial approach which he said "could spell the end of top-class sport in Romania.

lanul, the vice-president of the Dinamo club, said that three sections of the giant - club fencing, tennis and ice hockey - might have to be scrapped to save money. He was equally critical of the ministerial decision to change the financing of military clubs.

The same line of attack was employed by Steaua, who used a battery of Olympic and world champions and record holders to demolish the ministerial assault on the position of the army establishment. "We have produced hun-dreds of world and Olympic champions, the flower of Romanian sport has been nurtured in our club," Nicolae Gavrila, the commanding officer of Steaua Colonel, said.

But the Sports Minister is unrepentent. They have to realize that life in Romania is changing.

"The opportunities for youngsters for having fun, entertainment and travelling abroad will increase dramatically. Sport will cease to become a way to social achieve-ment and will have to be divided between an elite willing to sacrifice their life to achieve elusive goals and the mass sport. This is the end of communist sport as we knew it and there is no going back on that."

Welsh trio

**RUGBY UNION** 

renounce their South Africa link

From Owen Jenkins Windhoek, Namibia

THE Welsh touring party arrived here early yesterday morning and were greeted by a welcoming committee of Namibia Rugby Union officials, cameramen and photographers. The Welsh Office had warned

the party before leaving Wales that Paul Thorburn, Mark Ring and Tony Clement might have to sign a declaration renouncing sporting links with South Africa. following their participation ir last season's SARB centenary celebrations. Upon arrival at Windhoek, they were asked aside and duly signed the form and the issue was soon

forgotten.
This is the first visit by a This is the first visit by a major rugby nation since the British Isles played here in 1974. Stoffel Rocher, the manager of the Namibia Rugby Union, said: "It is with elation and expectation that we greet Wales. It is somewhat of a relief than they have eventually arrived." Ron Waldron, the Welsh coach, said: "They see this as a very important visit by a national team. It is early days yet, but everything seems in order and we will soon knuckle down

and we will soon knuckle down

The squad will have its first training session this morning, before watching a local first division league match, refereed by Fred Howard, of the RFU. He will officiate at both internationals and the local referee-ing union is making full use of his services. He said: "It all adds to the

refereeing experience. Rugby is different throughout the world.

The party travels to the coast at Swakopmund tomorrow, where they will play their first match against an Invitation XV

### **Apartheid** pledge may be urged

By David Hands Rugby Correspondent

THE French Rugby Federation. whose selectors meet tomorrow to choose the XV to play Romania in Auch on Thursday, are likely to encounter the same problems as Wales when their B

The Namibian Government, which wanted a form of declara-tion against apartheid from the two Welsh players, Paul Thor-burn and Mark Ring, who visited South Africa last year, will presumably look for a similar statement from Jean-Pierre Garuet and Marc Cecilion. They are the two members of the French B party who were in the international who were in the international side with Thorburn and Ring which helped celebrate the centenary of the South African Rugby Board.

The Romanians, meanwhile,

were able to field most of their international XV in two games against the touring British Police, which have formed part of their preparations for the game in Auch. The Police lost both games, in the first of which Dean Richards, the England No. 8, played competitive rugby for the first time since

Richards, who spent nearly all last season recovering from an operation to damaged shoulder ligaments, accompanied the police party as a guest but was forced to come on as a replace-ment for the last half hour of the game against a Bucharest Select XV which included 13 internationals. Richards had no adverse reaction from his

His club colleague at Leicester, John Liley, received his award on Thursday night from Tandem Computers as England's leading first-class points scorer. Liley, who goes to Argentina with England in July, scored 439 points during 1989-90, establishing a club record which included 18 tries. Eddie years Askeans won the Tandem seven counties merit table, win-

#### Chen delights with galaxy of strokes to inspire England CHEN Xinhua made an a variety of strokes as this. "It When Cooke won 21-11, 17-21, 21-18, England were two was a super debut - ideal." said Donald Parker, the Engup and the tension left the land captain, a staunch supcontest. Cooke re-appeared to

**TABLE TENNIS** 

immaculate first appearance as England became strong contenders for a quarter-final place with a thumping 3-0 victory over Taiwan on the opening day of the inaugural world team cup here yes-

The former member of two world title winning Chinese teams, now based in Rotherham, hardly put a foot wrong while winning the first match 21-14, 21-10 against Chih Chin-long. Indeed, Chen went right

through his extensive repertoire without so much as a stumble: first producing subtly masked services behind which the dagger thrust of a forehand leapt out with a series of kills, then the parrying and weaving of a tightly meshed backspin defence, after that the occasional loop from half distance, and just before the end the unleashing of a sudden backhand counter

Few have played with such

porter throughout all the controversy over Chen's selection. "He was in a different

really is may be better revealed tomorrow when England take on a Swedish team containing the world cham-pion, Jan-Ove Waldner. Today England play Canada, a team they know they can beat, in a match they feel should put them into the last eight irrespective of the Swedish

This became almost certain after Alan Cooke defeated Chih Chin-Siu, twin brother of Chih Chin-long. Chin-Siu is a few minutes the younger, but perhaps the odd point or two better and Cooke needed to work hard against an opponent who fiddled away close to the table with a left-handed chopsticks grip, using cushioning blocks

pair with Desmond Douglas and win the doubles, and Chen was not needed to play

Instead reflect on how relaxed this new man managed to appear, despite a disconcerting few weeks preparation for him and problems in the past three days with sleeplessness and stomach pains.

"Being in England team very different from Chinese team," Chen said. "More relaxed. Chinese make it hard for me here - in the head. This suits me better."

How much better English attitudes will suit him is a fascinating question. On yesterday's evidence Chen has enough ability to lift England from a good team to a dangerous one. The evidence of tomorrow will be eagerly



England expects: Chen Xinhua winning his first match for England in Japan yesterday

BOXING

## change for Lewis

LENNOX Lewis, Britain's exciting young world heavy-weight title hope, has yet another new opponent for his appearance at Sheffield City Hall on tomorrow night. He will now meet Dan "The Business Man" Murphy, from Nebraska. According to Frank Maloney,

Lewis's manager, heavyweights just don't want to know. Three Americans, Mike Cohen, Phil Brown and Alonzo Ratliff, promised to come to Sheffield but soon pulled out.

"Lewis is getting a fearsome reputation" Maloney said. "It's a real problem getting opponents for Lennox. No one wants to come and fight him, or if they do they start talking telephone number purses. This fight has cost well over the odds but it had to be done to keep Lennox active and let the public see him The Olympic champion is

unbeaten as a professional. All his 10 contests have ended inside the distance. Murphy, described by Maloney as a "giant," has won 27 of his 32 bouts, 19 with

the strongest player in the event but the partnership should still face a tough challenge from the No. 2 seeds, Paul Danby, of Seacour, and Martin Fairbarns, of Petworth.

lia, who recently won the world tournament, survived two match points to beat the leading Australian amateur. Mike Happell, in the J D Ward National League. Despite his heroics, Holyport lost 2-1 to the Tennis and Rackets Association after the in-form David John-son, of Queen's, and John Ward, the sponsor, had each scored emphatic victories.

● Happell looks likely to take will receive a warm welcome the MCC Gold Racket this some of his best termis of the year; in contrast to his opponent: The precise and talented laker, who has guided his team to the final while learning the

## TENNIS

LIFE tends to come a little easily to someone as naturally talented as Andrés Gómez. Not, Italian in the draw. "There is less pressure now however, quite as easily as the victory the big left-hander from Gomez said, looking as if he had just come in from a practice hit Ecuador enjoyed over Omar Camporese, in the Italian Open on his home court at the Guayacil Tennis Club. "I am more mature and I can go out here yesterday. On a day of cloudless skies at

and enjoy myself more. It is a good life, playing tennis. so one might as well make the most of

the Foro Italico, Gómez strolled into the semi-finals, 6-1, 6-2 in just 59 minutes and the disappointed crowd had nothing to

Kruger shows spirit

in toppling top seed

ellite tournament at Bournemouth yesterday. In the first of the men's singles semi-finals, Vaclav Roubicek, of Czechoslovakia, who won the Swansea tournament last week, beat Oliver Fuchs, of Austria, the top seed, 6-3, 6-4, Joanette Kruger, aged 16, of South Africa, defeated Kirrily Sharpe, the top seeded Australian lefi-

pions, on the way

tomorrow.

No one from the first division of the Northern Premier League

has ever gone so far in the Trophy: the only finalists from an equivalent level were Bish-

op's Stortford, in 1981, when

they were in the Isthmian

League. Win or lose, the team

Earlier in the season, the club

made promotion its priority, and Wembley was seen only as a

bar trade in a Stafford pub,

BOTH the men's and women's hander, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4 in the top seeds were beaten in the semi-finals of the Hi-Tec Sat-

Having lost the first set and dropped her service to trail 3-4 in the second, Kruger showed great potential and fighting spirit in rallying to take control.

Roubicek (Cz) bt O Fuchs (Austre), 6-3, 6-4; K Alami (Mor) bt H Chouse (Arg) 6-2, 6-4. Women's singles: Send-finet: J Kruger (SA) bt K Sherpe (Austra), 6-7, 7-6, 6-4; A Bertzon (tr) bt P Soerensen (Den) 4-6, 6-3,

#### Opponent | Goméz enjoys relaxed stroll Graf rides | championship here in Rome in 1982 and 1984. In those days pressure things did mean a little more to him and his Latin temperament,

From Barry Wood West Berlin

STEFFI Graf came under early pressure from Leila Meskhi of the Soviet Union before reaching the semi-finals of the

Lufthansa Cup yesterday.

Graf won 6-4, 6-1, but looked uncomfortable as Meskhi constantly hit the ball deep and sent backhand passes down the line. But the Russian could not maintain her accuracy and Graf eventually took the upper hand. The top seed now meets another Soviet, Natalia Zvereva, who defeated Judith Wiesner, of Austria, 6-7, 6-0, 6-4. Zvereva responded to her first-set loss with a vengeance.

Looking sharper, she sent win-ners down the line in the manner of her compatriot and produced a number of winning Sandra Cecchini followed up victory over Gabriela Saba-by defeating Nathalie

Tauziat 7-6, 6-3.

both occasions, respectively to Tony Knowles and the former world champion, Terry Grif-fiths. On the latter occasion, in January 1989, the bookmakers,

Ladbrokes, suspected an un-usual spread of betting and suspended betting shortly before the match against Griffiths. Initial investigations by the World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association and by the Betting Offices Licensees
Association (BOLA) were taken
over by Scotland Yard's serious
crimes squad, which arrested
Francisco for questioning in both January and March. Yesterday, bowever, the

Crown Prosecution Service said there was insufficient evidence to show any offence had been committed by anyone named in the police report and it would take no action. Francisco, who lives in police report.

SILVINO Francisco was yes- Chesterfield, and who has fallen 

are considering our position."

imagine what it was like having to live under a cloud like this?
"We were not worried before Silvino was arrested in January but when that happened things I think it is outrageous. A spokesman for Ladbrokes

said yesterday it would review the situation after reading the

SNOOKER

## Francisco cleared of alleged betting coup

She would not divulge who her husband might consider litigation against but said: "There are quite a few as far as I can make "We have known unofficially for about a week that Silvino had been cleared but can you

said after the 1989 match that his company's liability was £10,000 and the total winnings involved around £50,000. BOLA then recommended nonpayment by bookmakers but

Saunders, the Rugby wing re-ceived a similar award as the country's leading try-scorer. For the third time in four

**REAL TENNIS** 

#### Fairbarns and Danby threat to favourites

By Sally Jones

COLIN Dean, of Hatfield, and David Bevan-Thomas, of Petworth, start favourites for the Scott Hurley Cup, the National over-50s doubles championship hich starts at Petworth today. Dean, a shrewd tactician, looks

Lachlan Deuchar, of Austra-

RESULTS: Termis and Rackets Associ-ation by Holyport, 2-1: M Happell loss to L Deuchar, 2-8, 6-4, 5-5: D Johnson bt M Deving, 6-4, 6-4; J Ward bt K King 6-1, 6-1. the MCC Gold Racket this afternoon when he meets the holder, Alan Lovell, in the final at Lord's. Happell has been training hard and is playing singles this season.

## Mark Herbert previews the FA Trophy final and the next instalment in 1990's year of the underdog Leek plan to cash in on their surprise Wembley bonus

( WEMBLEY TEAMS ) prises on a grand scale, it is easy to overlook exceptional achieve-BARROW SQUAD: P McDonnell; S Hig-gars, A Chikon, G Skivington, K Gordon, K Proctor, W Glimour, N Doherty, P Farrell, C Cowperthwase, K Lowe, P Ferris, S Tochunter, I Burgess, M Jackson, Man-ager: R Wilde. ments at grass roots level.
Today, Leek Town bring their
unsophisticated talents to the
Wembley turf in the FA Trophy

Tochunter, I Burgess, M Jacuson, avanager, R Wikle.

LEEK TOWN SQUAD: R Simpson: I Elsby, G Pearce, C McMullen, P Cloves, S Norte, S Goldstraw, A Somerville, D Coleman, B Mellor, A Morgen, G Malington, I Lodge, D Suston, T Flussed, M Smith, D Maleburn Manager: N Baker.

BARROW: First round: V Bangor (n), 1-0. Second: Metropolitan Police (n), 1-0. Third: Yeovit (a), 1-1; replay (n), 2-1. Quastrat-finalist Kingstonsan (n), 2-2; replay (n), 1-0. Semi-final: First leg: Coine Dynamoes (a), 1-0. Second leg (n), 1-1.

LEEK TOWN: First qualifying round: Y final having already climbed their mountain. Barrow, their opponents, hold no fears.
To put Leek's achievements into a League perspective would be to imagine a third division club reaching the FA Cup final from the first qualifying round, having beaten Liverpool and Manchester United on the way. Dynamoss (a), 1-0; second leg (r), 1-1. LEEK TOWN: First qualifying round: v Hednesford (r), 3-1. Second: Moor Green (a), 3-1. Third: Newtown (a), 1-0. First round: Spernymoor (a), 2-1. Second: Ryneston (r), 1-1; replay (a), 1-0. Third: Telford (a), 0-0; replay (h), 3-0. Cuarter-fiends: Derlington (r), 1-0. Semi-finat; first leg: Starford Rangers (a), 0-0, second leg (r), 1-0. The team from the HFS Loans League's first division has played 11 matches to get this far, climinating the holders, Telford United, and the professionals from Darlington, the GM Vauxhall Conference cham-

> remains soberly pragmatic. "We'll play our normal game," he said. "Obviously, you have to make allowances for the size of Wembley, but our tactics will be the same.

> "I've seen Barrow five times in the last few weeks. They're not as strong as some of the sides we've beaten in the Trophy, but they've got players who can cause us problems." Leek's success has been founded on experience. Several of their squad have played for local League clubs. Smith and Elsby with Port Vale. Norris and

Pearce with Stoke City. Their

defence has proved tight. In the last five matches of the Trophy, in which they saw off three Conference sides — Telford, Darlington and Stafford Rangers — they did not concede a In previous years. Leek have

buried deep beneath an easy-

going charm, occasionally flared up in destructive fashion.

The pressure of winning

losing at the highest level has always held Gomez back, cou-

pled with a certain lack of

interest in the tougher aspects of physical conditioning. For such a fine player, Gomez's record in

Despite reaching the quarter-finals once at Wimbledon and

three times at the French Open, he has never progressed further but, on form, he may prove that

it is still not too old to improve

at the age of 30.

That, at any rate, is the hope of his new coach, Pato Rodriguez, the Chilean who helped

José-Luis Clerc reach the world's top 10. Gomez is back there himself, ranked No. 7 in the world and looking the part.

Earlier, Emilio Sanchez, of Spain, defeated Guillermo Pé-

rez-Roldan - one of two

Argentinians to reach the multi-

HESULTS: Quarter-finals: E Sánchez (Sp) bt G Perez-Roldan (Arg), 7-6, 6-2; A Gómez (Ec) bt O Camporese (It), 6-2, 6-2.

national last eight, 7-6, 6-2.

grand slam events is abysmal.

been remembered for two achievements: in 1974, they lost by a record Trophy score, 7-0, at home to Winsford; four years ago, they became the first club from the North West Counties League to reach the third round of the competition. There, Wyc-ombe Wanderers needed four matches to evict them: Leek drew 2-2 at home, then, in an incredible performance, held Wycombe 5-5 at Loakes Park. The second replay was drawn 1l. and Wycombe finally tri-umphed I-O in the third. Three of the squad remain

from that day: Mellor, McMullen and Pearce. The latter, in his testimonial year after 15 seasons at Harrison Park, recalls when the club turned down the chance to sign Mark Bright, the Crystal Palace forward, who strolled the same stage in the FA Cup final replay

Thursday, for £12. When Mark first came to Leek 10 years ago, big things were expected of him, but he struggled to get into the side," Pearce recalls. "He went off to train with Port Vale off his own bat, after work, and when he came here to be the structure of the stru train with Port Vale off his own bat, after work, and when he came back to Leek on loan the transformation was amazing.

If the match is drawn after extra nme, the replay will be held at Bolton Wanderers on Tuesday, kicking-off at 7.45pm.

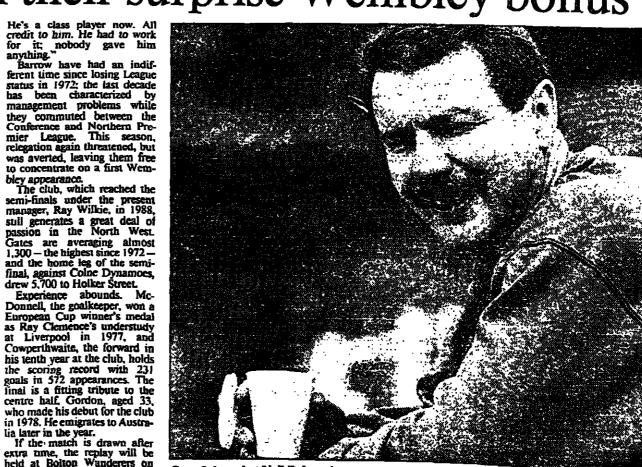
He's a class player now. All credit to him. He had to work for it; nobody gave him anything."

Barrow have had an indifferent league league league.

ferent time since losing League status in 1972; the last decade has been characterized by management problems while they commuted between the Conference and Northern Premier League. This season, relegation again threatened, but was averted, leaving them free to concentrate on a first Wem-The club, which reached the semi-finals under the present manager, Ray Wilkie, in 1988, still generates a great deal of passion in the North West.

Gates are averaging almost 1,300 – the highest since 1972 – and the home leg of the semi-final, against Colne Dynamoes, drew 5,700 to Holker Street. Experience abounds. Mc-Donnell, the goalkeeper, won a Enropean Cup winner's medal as Ray Clemence's understudy at Liverpool in 1977, and Cowperthwaite, the forward in his tenth year at the club, holds the scoring record with 231 goals in 572 appearances. The

in 1978. He emigrates to Austra-lia later in the year.



Cup of cheer: but Neil Baker, the manager of Leek Town, has his sights on the FA Trophy

RUGBY LEAGUE

A firm

base for

**British** 

game

By Alix Ramsay

HOW DO you make a British

Wimbledon champion? Where do you find the raw materials,

the stuff of which world-beaters

are made, to mould into a future

The answer may lie in Telford, where the best of Britain's under-eights will to-morrow do battle in the Pruden-

national short tennis

Short tennis is a scaled-down

version of the adult game, devised to get young children interested in tennis while giving

them a good grounding in the basic techniques. Played on a badminton court, with light, plastic rackets and with foam balls, the idea is that it is quick

to learn and fun to play.

Once you get children enjoying short tennis, they will move up to the adult game as they get older. That is the theory. In practice, it seems to be working.

There are more than 200,000 children playing short termis in Britain and the take-up rate with the adult game is good.

At last year's national under-

12 tennis championships, 60 per

cent of the entrants had started

with short tennis. Brian Blincoe.

director of national dev-elopment at the Lawn Tennis

Association, helped faunch short tennis in Britain 10 years

ago and is convinced it is the

ago and is convinced it is unway forward.

"We are trying to break the mould of tennis as a middle-and upper-class sport," he said.

"With short tennis we have introduced tens of thousands of the same a great

children to the game, a great proportion of whom come from

non-tennis-playing back-grounds. Of that number, there are scores of children who have

exceptional ability who wouldn't otherwise be playing

One such budding star is Nicky Crawley, aged five, the youngest national finalist at Telford. Despite his age, he is highly upped for success. The

Crawley family discovered ten-nis by chance when their eldest

son, Daniel, became involved in short tennis through his school. By watching Daniel play, Nicky picked up a racket and was in

business. Now he is tennis mad.

fact, the only time he was really upset by losing was when he was

beaten by a much older boy. There were a few tears because

he thought he couldn't play any

more that day. As soon as we told him be could go and knock

up with the other children on a spare court, he was fine."

With endless talk of burn-out in the ever-growing ranks of young tennis stars, introducing

children to competition is a

delicate business. The national finals are played on a round-robin basis with team and

**FOOTBALL** 

Scotland v Poland (at Hampden Park, 3.0)

Wales v Poland (at Merthyr FC, 3.0)

Barrow v Leek (at Wembley, 3.0) ....

SCHOOLS MATCHES: London Hawke Trophy Final: Islington v North Kent (at Chase Lodge 10.30), South West Coun-ties Championship Final: Dorsat v Devon (at Bridgort 3.0).

CRICKET

LORD'S: Middlesex v New

BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Zim-

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire V

**TAUNTON: Somerset v Derbyshire** 

VORCESTER: Worcestershire v

BOWLS

COUNTY: Eastern counties league: Heriordshire v Bedfordshire (3t Albans); Suffoik v Cambridgesture (Risbygate). Hone Counties League: Buckinghamshire v Kent (Story Stratford); Middlesex v Surrey (Sunbury). Middlese Counties Championshire: Leicestershire v Northamptonshire (Narborough); Warwickshire v Worcestershire (Narborough); Warwickshire v Worcestershire (Narborough); Warwickshire v Worcestershire (Narborough); Warwickshire v Langshire. Middleton Cup Trates: Berishire v Langshire. Middleton Cup Trates: Berishire

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

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"He hasn't been beaten often," his mother, Liz, said. "In

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Budding talent in the kindergarten of tennis

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Bannister returns to the track where his time still stands

**ATHLETICS** 

By David Powell, Athletics Correspondent

THE four-minute mile is assembled with the specific pion, will be a one-man being attempted at Iffley Road intention of a sub four-minute today. There may not be quite mile to celebrate the newly the same sense of anticipation surrounding those words now as there was 36 years ago, but the occasion is sufficiently compelling for Roger Bannister, John Landy and Ron Clarke to want to be there.

On May 6, 1954, the most famous record in athletics history was set when Bannister became the world's first sub four-minute miler on the Oxford University track. His time of 3min 59.4sec lasted only 46 days as a world record, Landy running 1.5 seconds quicker in Turku, Finland, on June 21. But the time still stands as an lifley Road track record and that will be upper-most in the minds of this

afternoon's competitors. Richard Nerurkar, the English cross-country champion, Simon Mugglestone, the former European junior 5,000 metres champion, and Andrew Geddes, last year's national indoor 1,500 metres champion, are among the field

surfaced £250,000 track.

Nerurkar has never run a four-minute mile, but sub said: "It still holds a tremendous fascination for a whole lot of middle distance runners." Bannister, aged 61, and the Master of the University's Pembroke College, thinks it nice that it still makes them breathless to try it."

If the runners are not intimidated by the company -Clarke was a prolific setter of world records and it is thought that Chris Chataway, who helped pace Bannister at Iffley Road, might be present there is a good chance the record will go. Mugglestone, a student at Hertford College, Oxford, is the favourite. He even pace than that,"

Mugglestone said. Southern 800 metres cham-ing." Bannister recalled.

Chataway and Chris Brasher. Bannister's other pacemaker in 1954. When Bannister broke through the barrier, he had trained for seven months towards that end.

"I can hardly believe the track record has not been beaten," Bannister said. "It is a great tribute to him that it has not," Landy said. The mile record is again in British hands, Steve Cram the holder with 3min 46.32sec. Landy never imagined such a feat possible. Now he regards as futile conjecture about how records might progress. "You are very much a prisoner of your own time," he said. "It is hard to think outside your

own experience." Bannister avoided becoming a prisoner of his record by was astonished when he heard retiring at the end of the Bannister's lap times - season to concentrate on being 57.5sec, 60.7, 62.3, 58.9. "I a doctor. "I had nearly given will be looking for a more up after the Helsinki Olympics (1952) because I was a medical student and it was Paul Rowbotham, the barely compatible with train-

New ideas for cross country

BRITISH cross country, which shot itself in the foot last winter, will get a shot in the arm next week, according to David Den-ton, the chairman of the United Kingdom cross country com-mission. The worst collective performance by British athletes at the world championships in March highlighted the need for reform and the commission's quarterly meeting next Saturday

will address several key areas.

"The commission is conscious that changes need to be made," Denton said. "A far more defined structure needs to be outlined for the benefit of the sport in general and particularly for those athletes who are aspiring to represent the United Kingdom in international com-petition."

By David Powell Britain plummeted to new

depths in Aix-les-Bains, France, their men finishing ninth and their women fifteenth. Although that could in part be explained by late withdrawals, such a pronounced departure from the tradition of British success was largely the consequence of a cramped domestic calendar and a trial which offered insufficient recovery time before the championship and was held on a course which bore no relevance

to the one in France. "There is a very strong will to make certain changes and that is what we will be looking at," Denton added. "I think we will see a positive programme come out of the meeting. Before the beginning of next season all the top athletes will have been One of the main complaints last winter among Britain's best cross country runners was lack of communication.

of communication.

Eamonn Martin, the Commonwealth 10,000 metres champion, was among those irked that he had received no direct contact from the selectors.
The British Amateur Athletic Board, which dispenses to the

commission responsibility for cross country, has issued a directive that next year's trial should reflect the type of course to be used in the world championships in Antwers championships in Antwerp, where the going will be flat and fast. That was the terrain in Aix-les-Bains but the British trial was held over mud and hills only two weeks beforehand.

CRICKET

## Norfolk hoping to continue their rise

MICHAEL AUSTIN previews the Minor Counties season.

Oxford University, will be their left-arm spinner. Suffolk remain a happy team Mark Bailey, the Wasps and England wing threequarter. Ian NORFOLK are the team to watch in the Eastern division of the Minor Counties champ-Graham, a fast-medium bowler, is their most promising young ionship, according to Stephen. Plumb, the captain, who believes that their depth of batting, varied bowling and vastly im-proved fielding will pose a real

challenge to Hertfordshire, the reigning divisional champions. After finishing bottom twice in the previous three years, Norfolk were runners-up last summer under the guidance of Plumb and Roger Finney, the former Derbyshire all-rounder. Hertfordshire, beaten in the championship final by Oxford-

shire last September, have re-cruited Gordon Harris, a fast bowler who contributed hand-somely to Teddington winning the Cockspur Cup last season.

John Lever, the former Essex

and England seam bowler, has joined Cambridgeshire and Steve O'Shaughnessy, formerly of Lancashire and Worcestershire, will play for Northumber-land. Lever will miss the opening two championship games because of his duties at Bancroft's School while Cam-bridgeshire have to find a Michael Garnham, now with

the Cockspur Cup last summer has joined Devon while Andrew Greasley, who has captained York and been a Leicestershire Lincolnshire have their best squad for several years with the staff member, adds his off breaks to Cheshire's cause. Dorsigning of Jim Love, the former Yorkshire batsman, Ian Pont, an all-rounder previously with Essex and Nottinghamshire, and Nigel Illingworth, another former Nottinghamshire seam set's are strong in seam bowling and the side's doctrine is one of enjoyment under their ubiq-uitous captain, the Rev Andrew

Wingfield-Digby.
Skropshire have recruited Derrick Page, a fast-medium bowler who plays for Heywood, a Central Lancashire League club, in an effort to inject recruition into their stack. Gary Awudu, aged 17, who captains Bedford Modern School, will add his emerging all-round talents to Bedfordshire's attempt to rise from the bottom four in the table. Awadu, an England Schools player scored 48 on his penetration into their attack Julian Barratt, a left-handed player, scored 48 on his Bedfordshire debut against a Northamptonshire XI whose attack included Winston Davis batsman who played for the Combined Services, is Berkshire's newcomer as they at-tempt to rise from the divisional runners-up position they have occupied for each of the past

and Alan Walker.
Paul Taylor, a left-arm seam bowler, has been appointed as three seasons. Wales, who finished next to shire's professional and bottom in their first two sum-mers, have appointed Andrew Puddle, a botanist, as captain. David Banks has returned after two years with Warwickshire. Patrick Edwards, formerly of

#### YACHTING

## ensure a

By Malcolm McKeag

Durham, looking ahead to their application for first-class status in 1993, have signed Paul Newman, the former Derby-shire seam bowler, while Cumberland make an early start Royal Lymington Cup, being sailed in Christchurch Bay to the defence of the Holt Cup

against Northumberland at Kendal on Sunday.

In the Western division,
Oxfordshire, with a firm belief in having a home grown and amateur identity, will cast side-long glances at the performances of Wiltshire.

Since finishing seventh last season, Wiltshire have signed of several foul-ups while drop-David Turner and Steve Ma-lone, former Hampshire players,

and have the full time services of Chris Trembath, the former judicious fixing should provide a better spectacle by producing Roger Busby and Alan Crossley have retired but Oxfordshire will continue to the toughest, and therefore closest, pairing in the final. It is one of several strokes with which match-race formats are masselect players who were either born in the county or play for

exciting to watch.

Another is the adoption here, for the first time at a major British event, of the new down-wind-finish course, which will be used for major international

moment yesterday, let slip the real reason for the new-look

#### FISHING

#### The rising tide of water pollution By Conrad Voss Bark

clubs within the boundary.

Jonathan Wright, the scores of three hundreds for Old Hill in

REPORTED cases of pollution of rivers and lakes in England and Wales have more than doubled in seven years. Figures from the Department of the Environment show there were 12,600 cases in 1981, 23,257 in 1987 and 26,926 m 1988, the latest year for which figures were

If this trend continues, and there is no indication that it will not, pollution cases in England and Wales will be running at over 30,000 a year by 1991.

The two most significant causes of the increase in fishkilling pollutants were given in the Royal Commission report on Environmental Pollution in January 1987. They were "the low quality of effluents from some sewage work and pollution

It has been reported that in north-west England one in five rivers is so contaminated that it cannot support fish life. Yet pollution control of sewage effluent standards was relaxed so as not to place too heavy a financial burden on newly privatized water companies struggling to improve outdated sewage treatment plants.

Latest of the depressing reports comes from industrial scientists examining coal-burning pollution from power stations and other big industrial plants. They say that trout and salmon in nearly one third of the rivers and lakes in Scotland. parts of Wales and some areas of northern England are being seriously affected and in some

from intensive agriculture and cases wiped out by acid rain. Surprisingly, there has as yet been no statement by any of the national organizations - National Rivers Authority, Nat-ional Anglers Council and Salmon and Trout Association - on the need for more money and more staff to clean up our rivers in view of the latest pollution figures.

There is a rumour that the

Rivers Authority (the NRA). alarmed at the increase in pollution, has applied for more money to the Treasury and been refused. However, the NRA spokesman said: There is no substance in the rumour. We are discussing our corporate plan with the Government at the moment and we believe they will honour their com-

## Means to close final

TAKING advantage of the recently-introduced protocol which permits the winner of the round-robin heats to select which of his three possible opponents he will meet in the semi-final, Eddie Warden-Owen, of Britain, elected to face Ross Macdonald, of Canada, in the first semi-final of the Sunsail

yesterday.

This left his fellow-Briton,
David Bedford, to face the higher-seeded Marc Buoet, of France. Macdonald had narrowly scraped into the semifinal with a somewhat fortunate win over Namba, of Japan, when the Nippon Challenge skipper's crew suffered the latest

ping, or failing to drop, a spinnaker. The theory is that a little

saged to make the racing more

match events. On the basis of the Lymington trial the idea is a good one. There are more opportunities to overtake downwind, so the outcome of even an apparently sealed match can be in doubt for longer, but it was Valdemar Bandalowski, the skipper of the Danish America's Cup challenge, who, in an off-guard

"It's much better for the sponsors," he said. "The cameras must record the finish, and so cannot avoid pictures of the logos." In yacht racing, advertis-ing on spinnakers is both more widely permitted and more readly visible than on the foreand-aft sails, which are all that the yacht is using as it ap-proaches a traditional upwind finishing line.

#### SPORT ON TV

AUSTRALIAN RIJLES FOOTBALL: C4
9.25-10.30am: Eurosport 11am-middsy.
BASKETBALL: Eurosport 9.30-11am and
9-10.30pm: American league.
BOXING: Screensport 11pm-12.30am
and Eurosport 7-9pm: Professional CYCLING: Screensport 5-6pm: Tour de

Trump.
EQUESTRIANISM: Screensport 11.30am12.30pm: Windsor Horse Show. 12.30pm: Windsor Horse Show.
FOOTBALL: Screensport 8.30-10am:
Argentinian lengue: BSB 2.30-5pm and
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highlights of Scotland v Potend from
Hampden Park: ITV 11.40-12.40pm: Highight of Scotland v Potend from Hampden Park.
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GRANDSTAND: BBC1 12:30-5:05pm:
Tennis: Women's German international from Berin: Racing: 20, 2:30, 3.0, 3.30 and 3:50 from Newbury. Footbell: World

and 3.50 from Newbolly. Produce which cap preview.

HOCKEY: Eurosport 6-7pm: Women's World Cap mym Sydney.

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KYCK BOKING: Eurosport 12-12.30pm:

From Amsterdam.

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RSB. 6.30-7.30pm: From Aristerdam.
MOTORCYCLING: BSB 6.30-7.30pm;
Moto cress, TT and Grand Prix racing.
MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 4.30-8pm;
formain Formain 3 and Dragster racing
from the United States.

MOTOR WORLD: BSB 2-2.30pm. MOTURI WORLD: BSB 2-2-30pm.
POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL:
Screensport 6.30-7-30pm.
RACING: BSB 1.30-2 and 10-10.30pm:
Racing news: C4 3.05-5.05pm: 3.10, 3.40,
3.55, 4.10 and 4.40pm from Newmenter
and Curragit: Screensport 3.30-4 and 1011pm: Irish 2000 Quinces and Preakmess
Strikes. Stakes. RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB 12-1.30pm:

CYCLING: Six Nations Junior Track International (Kirby). MODERN PENTATHLON: National Mod-ern Trachion Championships (Million Modern). MOTOR SPORT: Donnington 500 Meeting (Castle Donnington); Shell SRDC Empire Trophy (Silverstone). POLO: Gerald Balding Cup (Cirencester); The Queen's Cup (Windsor); BMW Prince of Weles Trophy (Windsor). RALLYING: Marx National Rally (Isla of Man, 8.45am).

SPEEDWAY: Sunbrite Lesque: Bradford v
Coventry, King's Lynn v Cradley Heath.
Inter-league challenge: Swindon A v
Swindon B v Exeter v Pools.

Win, lose or draw, there is always another match to be played and team points to be

totted up, taking the pressure off young shoulders. "There is no

finals are played on a round-robin basis with team and for the Crawley family is keep-individual events running ing Nicky off the court and couraged the boys to do some-thing but I don't think we would have joined a tennis club if it

**GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES** 

OTHER SPORT

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Surrey

SWINDON BY EXTERY V PODIS, SPORT FOR THE DISABLED: Variety Club Mini Games (Stoke Mandeville). TENNIS: HI-Tec LTA Spring Satellias Masters (Bournemouth). WINDSURFING: LIKBSA National Series

#### TOMORROW

FOOTBALL International match Wales v Costa Rica (at Ninian Park, Leyland Daf Cup

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Noti-Bristoi Rovers v Tranmere (at CRICKET Tour matches 11.0. 104 overs minimum

LORD'S: Middlesex v New BRISTOL: Gioucestershire v Zim-Refuge Assurance League 2.0. 40 overs MORETON-IN-MARSH: Gloucester-CANTERBURY: Kent v Yorkshire

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v

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ATHLETICS: Screensport 11.20pm-lam: The Getorade Classic. BASEBALL: Screensport 3-5 and 4-6pm: BASKETBALL: BSB 8.30-11pm: Ameri-Can league.

BOXING: Screensport 9:30-11:30pm:
Professional event from Shefflett. IT!
10:35-11:05pm: Heavyweight bout: Lennon Lewis (GB) v Mike Cohen (US) from
City Mall, Shefflett. Cny Hall, Sheffield.
CRECKET: SKY ONE 1-8pm; Retuge
Assurence League: Live coverage of
Kent v Yorkshire from Centerbury.
EQUESTRIANISM: Screensport 1-3am;
Windsor Horse Show: Eurosport 7-8pm;

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FILM: Eurosport 9-11pm: Story of the 1978 World Cup. FOOTBALL: Eurosport 11am-1pm: UEFA Cup Final, accord leg: Forents v Juventus: BSB 10-11am: Scotlend v Poland from Hampden Park: Screensport 8-9-30pm: Argentinien league. GOLF: Screensport 2-4pm and ITV 12.05-1.05em (Monday): Memorial Tournament from Chic

GRANDSTANO: BBC1 1.55-6.35pm: Ten-nis: Women's German International from Berlin: Motorcycling: ACU Shell Olla British Championahips from Snetlerton:

from Obio.

Jude: European Championships from Frankfurt. Frankfurt.

HOCKEY: Eurosport 6-7pm: Women's World Cup from Sydney.

ICE HOCKEY: Screensport 11.30am-2pm: National Hockey Langus.

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Not short on skill: Nicky Crawley, aged five, youngest national finalist at Telford

five-year-old sports-mad school-

boy can be. "With his friends at school, he wants to be the same

as everybody else," Liz said.
"We try and keep the tennis

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v

TAUNTON: Somerset v Derbyshire

HOVE: Sussex v Glamorgan WORCESTER: Worcestershire v

NEMOR COUNTIES HOLT CUP: Kendal

(Proneside): Cumbertand v Northumbe land; Cheadle Huline: Cheshire v Durha Swensen: Wales MC v Oxfordshir Bridgeorth: Shropshire v Staffordshire.

**BOWLS** 

ARDDLETON CUP TRIALS: Dorset v Hampshire (Shelfesbury); Essex (at Thorpe Bay BC, 10.0 and Pegesus BC, 3.0); Northamptonshire (at Abington); Isle of Wight (at Westlands).

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NOMA LEAGUE: Leeds Cougars v Fylde Falcons (3.30): Glasgow Lions v Birminghem Bulls (2.0); London Olym-piers v Manchester Spartans (2.30); Northampton Storms v London Ravers (2.30); Brighton BS2's v Portsmouth Warriors (2.0); Bristol Packers v Getes-head Senators (3.0).

OTHER SPORT

CYCLING: Six Nations Junior Track international (Kirby); Tuson Motors Hyde Grand Prix (Hyde, Memchester).

HOCKEY: National Wiomen's Veterans Championship Finats (at Old Loughtonians, Luzborough Lane, Chigwell, Essex, 10.0).

MODERN PENTATHLON: National Mod-em Triathion Champonships (Million

Keynesi, MOTORCYCLING: Shell Olfs-ACU British Championship round (Brands Hatch).
MOTOR SPORT: Donnington 500 Meeting (Castle Donnington): British Formula Three Championship (Brands Hatch); Parkleld British Off-Road Championship (Thomes Cross, Devon); Shell BRID: Engire Trophy (Silverstone).
POLO: Gerald Balding Cup (Circnosster); The Queen's Cup (Windsor); BMW Prince of Walss Trophy (Windsor); BMW Prince of W

SPEEDWAY: World championship: Homefire British final (Coventry, 3.0). WaeDSURFING: UKBSA National Series (Christchurch).

SPORTSDESK: BSB 9.30am, 8pm and midnight.
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UPDATE: Screensport 6pm.
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YACHTING: Screensport 7-8an: 12 me-tre challenge from Sydney: ITV 1.35-1.45am (Monday): Whitbread Round The Lowry lined up

Trafford Borough rugby league club has signed Jason Lowry, the New Zealand prop forward on a 12-month contract. He will join them in September.

Captain Hamlin Mike Hamlin, the England B stand-off half, has been elected captain of Gloucester rugby union club for a second year.



match, are, he claims not in-tended to provide any clues to his thinking for the inter-national side. He has had to leave out two former rugby union players, Alan Tait and David Bishop, because of slight injuries to both, and he appears to have built his side round the to have built his side round the centre experience of Garry Schofield and the pack skills of Mike Gregory, the captain.

The remaining names in the side lean towards the youth of the party with Wigan's Bobby Goulding preferred to Deryck Fox, at scrum-half. Jonathan Destine has been wicked at

centre, to some extent in response to his declared dislike of the wing position he plays at for Widnes he could retain the pos-ition for the international. The match will be played at extreme of temperature and humidity, and Reilly trained his side on Friday in full kit to bring

ing their task was going to be.
The climate will be Britain's PRE CHIMBUT WITH DE DITTER DIEGREST THREATH, C Bibb (Feathers Rovers); P Eastwood (Huff), G Schol (Leeds), J Davies (Wiones), C Git (Leeds), G Steedman (Castleford) (Goudding (Wigan); K Sternett (Brad Northern), M Derzectt (Wigan), K Esgi (Castleford), K Faithank (Bradtord) M Castleford), K Faithank (Bradtord) M

#### **TENNIS**

#### Great names return for a

Classic event EIGHT formerly-familiar Wimbledon competitors are to play in the Royal Windsor Classic, a

in the Royal Windsor Classic, a new singles and doubles event for players over 35 years of age (Rex Bellamy writes).

Organized by David Whitehead's International Thirty-Fives company, in conjunction with the local council, the event will be played from June 14 to will be played from June 14 to 17 on a plastic court installed in parkland near Windsor Castle. parkland near Windsor Castle.
The players in action will be Mark Edmondson, Alex Metreveli, Paul McNamee, Tom Okker, Onny Parun, Sherwood Stewart, and two others who have yet to be engaged. Accompandation will be required for modation will be provided for 2,000 spectators. On June 13,

#### our chances enormously. HOCKEY

### **Depleted divisions will** ring down the curtain

By Sydney Friskin

YET another Great Britain defence. training weekend has drained players from the last of the season's domestic competitions. the divisional tournament, to be played today and tomorrow at Bournemouth, where South will defend their titles at both senior

for their big day, what effect will their success have on Brush tennis? "Short tennis has al-

ready made an enormous impact on the junior rankings,"

"I am not saying it will give us a Wimbledon champion but

without doubt it has impr

Blincoe said.

and junior level. Hardest hit in the senior event are North, who are bound to feel the loss of their goalkeeper, Forshaw, and Stamp, their mainstay in midfield. But Clark, of Welton, who played so well in goal for Yorkshire in the county

championship final last Sunday should prove an able substitute ian Jennings, who would normally have played for Combined Services, has opted to appear for East, who on paper seem to be the side to beat. Apart from Jennings, they have Halliday, Ashton, Camilleri and De Groot and they look well halanced in attack and defence. Probably the best prepared side are Combined Services, whose run-up to the event has included matches against London Indians and Ladykillers. Although they lost both games they showed considerable improvement in attack

South have not been able to select a side of anything like their true strength but have assembled a number of useful players who could help them to make a fight of it. These include Francis from Surbiton and Hunnisett, Richards and Cross from Bromley.

The Midlands attack will be

blunted by the absence of Rob-ert Thompson, but they will look to Imran Sherwani and Knott to knock in a few goals. Sadler and Chaudhry should stabilize their defence.

West, winners of the senior title only once, in 1987, are not weekend and must fancy their chances, having picked a number of tried and trusted hands

The tournament will follow the usual format of recent years with South, East and Combined Services making up one group and Midlands, North and West forming the other. The semi-finals and final will be played tomorrow at both levels. • The Middlesex Cup final, which was to have been played today between Southgate and Hounslow, has been postponed.

#### **CYCLING**

#### Smith ready to test Milk Race fitness

WHEN he won the 100-miles Lincoln grand prix earlier this week, Brian Smith, of Scotland, said he still needed a formight's hard training to bring him into peak condition for the Milk Race (Peter Bryan writes). His mid-term report can be

written after tomorrow's Hyde grand prix in Cheshire, where he heads an entry of 90, including eight of Britain's dozen Milk Race amateurs. Smith, from Paisley but staying in Sandbach, has been

"screaming" in training week according to his chief rival, Steve Farrell, from Stoke-on-Trent. Farrell suffered from cramp in the Lincoln race and Abandoning the race meant

that he was a non-scorer in the Star Trophy competition and, although he retains in the leading position in the 10-event series, another Milk Race rider, Peter Longbottom, who was second to Smith, drew to within four points of Farrell; Smith's 15

points, plus two won earlier in the year, moved him to third. Tomorrow, Farrell could be in danger of losing his lead if either Smith or Longbottom

### **RUGBY UNION**

#### Heggarty gets call to join Heysel squad BRIAN Heggarty, the former Scotland and Hawick flanker,

has come into the Scotland squad for today's European Classic at the Heysel Stadium sports complex in Brussels (Alan Lorimer writes).

The event, which is for players aged 33 and above, has drawn a large number of former internationals from the five

nations' championship countries, who, with a younger team from the host country, Belgium, will compete in two pools of three for places in the semifinals. Scotland play the first match of the tournament when they

meet France, who then play Wales, the third team in Pool A. Wales, captained by J. P. R. Williams, include the former international players Alan Martin, Clive Rees and Paul Ringer. England play Belgium in the first match of Pool B and meet Ireland in the last match of the qualifying games. The English squad, which is captained by Peter Wheeler, includes Bill Beaumont, Nigel Melville, Steve Smith and John Carleton. DRAW: Pool A: Scotland v France; France v Wales: Wales v Scotland. Pool B: Belgium v England; Ireland v Belgium; England v Ireland. Safawan swoops to conquer

burst of acceleration, Michael Stoute's Safawan came from last to first in just under half a furlong to record an impressive two-length success over Distant Relative in the £40,000 Juddmonte Lockinge Stakes at Newbury yesterday.

Although eased down before the line by Walter Swinburn, the rapidly improving colt recorded a time just one-fifth of a second outside the mile record held by Kris.

"That was impressive and he's still improving," said Stoute, who will now prepare the colt for Royal Ascot's Queen Anne Stakes.

The colt was purchased from his breeder the Aga Khan last autumn by David Thompson, who in turn passed the horse on to his wife as a present.

Markofdistinction, the 6-4 favourite, came with every chance on the far side a furlong out, but faded to finish fourth.

Michael Stoute, already with Ivrea among the Oaks contenders, produced another live classic candidate when the Aga Khan's Kartajana impressively swept clear to beat Katsina by three lengths in the William Hill Fillies' Trial Stakes.

Ladbrokes quoted her at 5-1 for Epsom immediately after the trial, but this was laid substantially, and she is now 7-2 behind the 7-4 favourite, Salsabil.

Derby, was 6-5 favourite for Derby. the Ultramar Handicap but finished last of the 10 runners. Off the pace in the early stages, Steve Cauthen moved the colt out to mount a challenge three furlongs from home, but the effort was shortlived and the former champion explained: "When I pulled him out his legs sprawled. I had to be easy on him after that, but I think he's

Newbury

Golge: good to firm



Pat Eddery (nearside) pounces on Guy Harwood's Stereo to get the better of Parting Moment (Seamus O'Gorman) by a neck in the Ultramar Handicap at Newbury yesterday

the final strides by Pat Eddery's mount Stereo, who went on to win by a neck.

If he comes out of this race Henry Cecil's Private well Guy Harwood's colt will Tender, quoted at 25-1 for the be prepared for the Italian

> Clare Balding pulled out of the British squad for the Lanson Champagne ladies' international challenge match against the European girls at York on Thursday. She was unable to make the weight on her allotted mount. But she gained handsome compensation yesterday.

The daughter of royal okay." trainer Ian Balding gave the
At the business end of the 14-1 chance Song Of Sixpence race. Parting Moment was a patient ride to beat Aireef a making a brave effort to make head in the Berkshire track's all, but was overwhelmed in first race for women jockeys

for more than a decade. Mellottie, 9-4 favourite, was

Miss Balding, who goes to Cambridge in the autumn to study English, is making every effort to make amends for her near miss in last year's women's championship, and flies to Hamilton this evening to partner Great Chaddington for Jack Berry.

• There are 15 entries for Predominate Stakes at Goodwood next Wednesday. They are: Curia Regis, Digression, Dreaming Spires, Elmaamul, Kaheel, Razeen, Regimental Arms, Rock Hopper, Sharp Salute, Shavian, Silca An' Key, Surpassing, Victory Piper, Waki Gold,

### Cossack Guard heads Longchamp challenge

Cossack Guard (Michael Roberts), Thethingaboutitis (Steve Cauthen) and Ruling (John Williams) provide the British challenge in an eight strong line-up for the group one Prix du Cad-ran (2½m) at Longchamp tomw. Turgeon (Tony Cruz) is the likely favourite.

Roberts also rides the Mark Johnston-trained Starstreak in the Prix in Force, but he may be foiled by the Fabre-Asmussen combination's Sifting Gold. Ten fillies contest an open-looking Prix Saint-Alary. Cau-

then rides one of the favourites, Qirmazi, and should take a hand in the finish along with Mackia (Gerald Mosse) and Louve Robore should land today's for the Badener Meile.

There are several British hopes on view at Baden-Baden. Today, Dance Spectrum (Ray Cochrane) and Ashai (Richard Hills) contest the group three Oleander-Rennen with Kadim (Hills) going for the listed Scherping-Rennen.

Tomorrow, Langtry Llady (John McLaughlin), Mirror Black (John Reid), Western Gun (Lanfranco Dettori) and Sharp N Early (Willie Carson) are among 14 starters, including the formerly English-trained Just A Flutter and Bin Shaddad,

## Melton vote for Perroquet

Thirsk Going: good to firm 2.15 (5f) 1. La Massas (M Birch, 6-4 fav), 2. Alinson's Mass (11-4); 8. Pet Shop Boy (5-1), 8 ran. 1½I, 1½I. A Scott. Tota: 52.80; 61,30, 61,50, 61,70. DF: 63,10. CSF 25.01.

Going: good to firm
2:10 (1m 2t) 1, SONG OF SIXPENCE
(Clere Balding, 14-1); 2, Alreef (Amanda
Harwood, 15-2; 3, Mellottle (Maxine
Juster, 9-4 fav); 4, Disense (Baine
Bronson, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 15-2
Limeburn, 10 Salmonki, 11 Basted Rock,
12 My Chiara, Genotin, Great Hand, 14
Summer Fashlon, 25 Bit Of A Lass (Bth),
Hernsheis, 33 Glass Castle, 50 Fearless
Figiter (Sth), Acrow Line, 16 ran Hd, 25,
2, 11, 11 Balding at Kingsclers. Tote:
213,00; £2.00, £1.50, £1.20, £2.50. DF:
251.70. CSF: £112.71. Tricast: £303.14.
2min (8.71sec. ### CSF E112.71. Tricase E303.14.

246(): £1.30, £1.50, £1.70. DF: £3.10.

257 E5.01.

246(): £1.30, £1.50, £1.70. DF: £3.10.

258 E5.01.

246(): £1.30, £1.50, £1.70. DF: £3.10.

258 E5.01.

248 (1m 4) 1, Vestige (S Perks, 2-1 hay; 2, Rambrides Joy (B-1); 3, Sweet in Low (7-2, 15 nar. Nf: Messassapp Beat.

41, £2, £1.60, £1.80, £

32.945ec.
3.10 (1m) 1, SAFAWAN (W FI Swinburn, 5-1); 2, Distant Relative (M Hills, 9-2); 3, Monteagem (S Caurlien, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Markofdistinction (4th), 6 Green Line Express (6th), 8 Magic Gleam (5th), 6 ran. NR: Akbourne. 2, 34, 11. sh hol, 131. M Stoute at Newmarket. Tota: 55.30; 52.60. 52.40. DF: \$10.50. CSF: \$24.00. 1 min 36.42 sec.

224.00. 1/min 36.42sec.
3.40 (1m 2f) 1. KARTAJANA (W R
Swinburn, 2-1 fav; Milichael Seath'e nap);
2. Katshine (Pat Eddery, 6-1); 3. Akamenile
(R Cochrane, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2
Wasnan (4th), 4 Alichira (5th), 6 Sally Rous
(6th), 6 ran. 31, mir. 2%1, 2%1, nic. M Stoute
at Newmarket, Tota: 23.00; £1.90, £2.90.
DF: £10.20. CSF: £12.66. 2min 08.00sec. Dr: 210-24 CSP: 212-05 Zmm 40-0086C.
4.10 (6) 1. TOD (T Quinn, 20-1); 2.
Derjor (W Carson, 7-4 fav); 3. Re's (L
Dettor), 5-1). ALSO RAN: 15-8 Book The
Band (4h), 8 Notiey (5th), 33 May Hinton
(6th), Berween The Sticks. 7 ran. Hd. 44, 31,
31, 24i. J Berry at Cockerham. Tota:
£17.10; £3.40, £1.40. DF: £40.40. CSF:
£50.96. 1min 12.52sec.

29.086. Imm 12.52sec.
4.40 (6) 1. JMM'S WISH (M Marshall, 25-1); 2, Zeppeki (L Dettori, 5-1); 3, Scuts Ledy (S Cauthen, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav First Success. 4 van The Terrible, 13-2 Billy Lomond, 10 Vicercy Gem, 14 Space Traveller. Mighty Dragoon, Scenic Dencer, 20 Green's Portrait. 11 ran. Nr. sh. hd. M Usher at East Garston. Tote; 236.70; 26.10, 52.30, 52.50. DF: 595.00. CSF: £167.55.

#### Newmarket

Goong: good 220 (5f) 1, ON TSPTOES (Dean McKeown, 5-1): 2, Marise Cappaccini (M Roberts, 9-4 fav): 3, Tolede Bay (B Raymond, 9-2): 3, ALSO (RAN: 7-2 Heaven-Llegh-Gray (4th), 9-2 Jameelaty (5th). 5 ran. 21, 214, 21, 11, J Leigh at Gains-borough, Tote: 24,70: 22-30, 21-50. DF: 24,60. CSF: 214,75: Tmix 01.05esc. borough, Tote: 24./ti 12.29, 21.30. Dr. 24.60. CSF: 214.75. Imm 01.06sec.
2.50 (7) 1. MANGO MANKLA (R Hills. 35-1); 2. Teather (Ron Hills., 20-1; 3. Bournwills (M Roberts, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 tav Grand Stush, 11-2 Takenhall (6th), 13-2 Sharp Times (5th), 7 Knight Of Mercy (4th), 14 Rose Gien, 20 Top Dream, Verrory. Mercrort. 40 Premiter Moon, Concidental, Kawwasa, 14 ran. 21. sh hd. sh hd., hd. ¼I. C Horgan at Billingbeer. Tote: 229.80: E7.50. 24.10. E2.20. Dr. 21.29.80. CSF: 2482.03. Tricast: 25,020.65. Imm 27.51sec.
3.25 (1m 8) 1, TENDER TYPE (Dale Gibson, 10-1); 2, Podrids (M Roberts, 7-4 lav); 3, Beekman Street (N Adams, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 Royal Borough (6th), 7 Cheises Giff (4th), 11 Qualitair Avistor (5th), 20 Prestands. 7 ran. ¼I, ¼I, ¾I, &I, 2I. R Whitaker at Wetherby. Tote: £10.40; 23.40, £1.70. DF: £18.70. CSF: £25.98.

2. F Whiteker at Wetherby. Tote: £10.40; 23.40, £1.70. DF: £16.70. CSF: £25.98. 3min 03.57sec.

Smin 03.5796c.
3.55 (7) 1, IN EXCESS (A Munro, 7-1); 2, Norwitch (Dean McKeown, 2-1); 3, Hasbah (Fl Hills, 15-6 fey), ALSO FIAN: 100-30 Cut Darzig (4th), 10 Ball Lady (6th), 5 ran. 1 ½, hd, nk, 10. W O'Gorman at Newmarkst. Tota: £10.50; 23.00, £1.50. OF: £24.0. CSF: £20.24. 1mm 26.35sec. CSP: 221.24. Timir custored:

4.25 (1m) 1, POSSESSIVE LADY (Paul Eddery, 5-4 fav); 2, Alicante (C Rate, 25-1); 3, Rambadate (R Hills, 8-2). ALSO RAN: 7 The Island, 11 Front Page, Valorna (4th), Grondole (6th), 14 Taestorce Fleed It, Forbudden City, 25 Mohmi, 33 Mrs Skonner (5th), 11 ran. 2, 21, rk, 3, hd. A Scorr at Newmerket, Tote:



Yesterday's results 2. Prospective Ruler (2-1 fev); 3. kitashaf (8-1). 6 ran. 2%; 5I. C Brittain, Tote: 25.40; 22.30, 22.00. DF: 27.80. CSF: £15.16

2.40 (1ml st), \$1 Extend (178 Extender), \$1 | 12, 2 Parting Moment (S O'Gorman, 12-1); \$1, 2 Parting Moment (S O'Gorman

#### La Masaas in command

LA MASAAS, a disappointing favourite on his debut at Windsor last month when trailing in eighth, made swift amends in his second race, at Thirsk

Well supported from 7-4 to 6-4 favourite, La Masaas beat Allinson's Mate by 1½ lengths to take The EBF Station Road Maiden Stakes. The youngster is owned by

Maktoum Al-Maktoum and trained at Newmarket by Alex Scott. La Masaas is the trainer's third two-year-old winner of the

Mark Birch always had La Masaas up with the leaders and took over well inside the final furlong. Scott remained at Newmarket to see his French Derby hope Theatrical Charmer work

• Unbridled and Summer Squall, the first and second in the Kentucky Derby, renew rivalry in the nine-runner Preakness Stakes at Pimlico, Baltimore, today. However, Mister Frisky, who met his first defeat at Churchill Downs, should do better this time and may cause a surprise.

At San Siro, Milan, tomorros Petite Mou and Ruby Tiger run in the £122,000 Oaks d'Italia. and Samsova goes for the Premio Buontalenta at the Capannelle, Rome.

#### Thursday's late details Huntingdon

Geing: good to firm 7.30 (2m 4f ch) 1, Palece Yerd (H Davies, 11-10 fav); 2, Aberoy (7-4: 3, The Frist (14-1), 8 ran. 1%1, 30L K Wingrove. Tota: 22.10; 51.20, 51.40, 52.10. DF: 22.60, CSF: 23.65, Tricast: 213.63. 22.60, CSF: \$2.60, (Notice 2.13.00. 8.0 (Sm ch) 1, Tephather (Mr J Sharp, 6-1); 2, Wages Of Sin (14-1); 3, Summons (4-5 tay), 5 ran. NR: True Bloom, 81, dist. Mr Shine. Tote: £6.10; £1.90, £2.20. DF: £20.20, CSF: £53.55. 8.36 (2m 100/d) 1, Kind'A Smart (S Turner, 5-2; 2, Druse (7-2; 3, Flun On Stiffing (8-4 fav), 7 ran. NR: Silly Sausage, 44, ¼1, K Morgan, Totae, 23.70; £1.70, £2.10, DR: 5.20, CSF: £10.84. Placepot: £998.20 (0.6 winning tickets. Pool of £539.61 was carried forward to Howbury yesserday).

Racing next week MONDAY: Bath, Edinburgh, Wol-TUESDAY: Beverley, Salisbury. WEDNESDAY: Goodwood, Here-

THURSDAY: Goodwood, Catterick Bridge. FRIDAY: Haydock Park, †Ponts-tract, Sadgefield, Towcester. Tract, Saggeried, Towester, Sempton Park, Haydock Park, †Lingfield, †Southwell, †Warwick, Cartmel, Hexham. Flat meetings in bold. †Denotes evening meeting.

QUALITY abounds among the 166 entries for the Melton Hunt Club point-to-point at Garthorpe today.
With Sweet Diana reserved for the RMC final at Warwick in the evening, Jili Dawson will be on stable companion Roscoe Boy in the ladies. Although this combination has been beaten only once in 14 races in the last

bring about their second The Robert Ainer-trained and ridden Elver Season has put up in the South West and looks to be good enough for the open. With Stanwick Lad beaten on Wednesday at Cottenham, Katesville may be the one to provide the main opposition, but Freddie Teal and Deer Crest must also enter into the

two years, Perroquet looks likely

reckoning.
The Marie Curie novice championship has attracted most of the top youngsters seen out this season. Bertie Boy, Konrad Wolf and Mourne Warrior have all established fine reputations but one who has so far only won two small races.

Point-to-point by Brian Beel Wall Game, may be worth considering. A stable compan-ion of the old champion hunter chaser Border Burg, he is highly thought of by James Delahooke

and will be ridden by the experienced Alan Hill. With double entries and plans still fluid for many, looking for winners of the other three races is not easy but, in their selected races, True Dowry, Adventures, Lolly's Patch and Ask Jean should all run well.

The Isle of Wight hunt come over to the mainland for the last Tweseldown. Senator Of Rome has an opportunity in the open of making amends for losing his rider on four occasions from his five outings. With Alison Dare waiting for next week's Larkhill fixture, Nearly Handy will have a straightforward task if started in the ladies

Philip Scholfield and Mike Felton are likely to be in opposition at the Dalverton Grove on Wednesday, Felton is now three ahead of his rival in the title race, but may find it difficult to score here as his main hope, Sutton Prince, could be opposed by the prolific Welsh winner Timber Tool in the

Radio Cue won well at the Banwen Miners and would be worth following if making the long journey from Carmarthen to run in the PPOA race.

Today's meetings Duhverton West, Bration Down, 10m north of South Molton (2.0 start). Iste of Wight, Twesskiown, 3m W of Aldersot (2.15). Melton Mowbray (2.0).

#### **Sweet Diana** to prove best

THE second of the national point-to-point championships will be decided tonight with the RMC final at Warwick. Sweet Diana easily beat Not

Quite a Lady last Saturday at the Badsworth point-to-point and the pull of 10lb in favour of the runner-up is unlikely to be enough to reverse the placings. These two look to dominate the event with Cheekie Chappie the best of the others.

#### LINGFIELD PARK

#### Selections

By Mandarin 6.10 Rami. 6.40 Jazaf. 7.10 Versailles Road. 7.40 Arctic Heights. 8.10 Mazag. 8.40 Green Dollar.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.10 Bid Later. 6.40 Sockern. 7.10 Versailles Road. 7.40 Dancing Earl. 8.10 Mazag. 8.40 Sally's

Going: good to firm Draw: high numbers best up to 7f

6.10 CONFERENCE GRADUATION GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (£2,060: 61) (6 runners)

1 G-86 SECRET FOUR 11 (G) R Akehurst 4-9-10 L Carter (7) 5 2 - 601 IOHULM 14 (D.F) L Holt 3-9-0 N Adema 6 3 1-30 RAMI 14 (S) P Wawyn 3-9-0 N Carson 4 2 BID LATER 319 John FitzGerate 4-8-12 Paul Eddert 3 5 0 STONE OR SCISSORS 32 Mrs L Piggott 3-8-7 — 1 6 68-0 PETIVARA 12 S Dow 3-8-2 W Newmes 2

1-5 Rami, 8-1 Khulm, 12-1 Bld Later, 20-1 Stone Or sors, 50-1 Petivara, Secret Four.

6.40 APPLE BLOSSOM STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,900: 7f) (17) 3-1 JAZAF 54 (DJF) P Cole 9-7. Paul Eddery 3

12 0-00 MOGUL PRINCE 12 (8,D,F) M Usher 8-4 

5-2 Jazef, 3-1 Sockern. 6-1 Sashtel, 7-1 Marasol, Cheveux Mitchell, 12-1 Alchiea, 14-1 Others. 7.10 SPICER AND OPPENHEIM CLAIMING

STAKES (£2,742: 1m 3f 106yd) (16) 1 HOSTRE ACT 72J MSs P Hall 5-97 --- 15
2 44-5 VERSAILLES ROAD 19 (0,5F,F,G) M/s L PEGGOS 7-9-7
3 58-0 EMPERORS WARRIOR 18 (3F) P Cole 4-9-2 1 Canno 9
4 20-0 FEARSONE 10 (3) K Curningham-Brown 4-9-2 

2-1 Versailles Rosd, 7-2 Proud Patriot, 4-1 Emperors Warrior, 8-1 Fearsome, 10-1 Littlego, 12-1 others.

7.40 RUN FOR YOUR WIFE STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,700: 1m 2i) (16)

2-17 State 15 4-90 DEGANNWY 21 J Scaroff 8-9 V 16 4-90 State Y DES 12 (F) J O'Donoghue 8-8 N Gw 9-4 Arctic Heights, 4-1 Dencing Earl, 5-1 Bodge, 7-1 Rus sian Red, 8-1 Smartle Lee, 10-1 Bingo Bongo, 12-1 others.

8.10 FRUIT FARM MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-O: 22,060: 7f) (20) EPSTAKES (3-1-4. April 9-0 P D'Arcy 7 P D'Ar

15-8 Mazag, 9-4 Lucky Again, 4-1 Jawab, 8-1 Smokey Native, 10-1 Suprette, 12-1 Sherjemal, 16-1 others. 8.40 BRAMLEY STAKES (£2,826: 6f) (19) 1 3020 AUGNEAD 16 (B.D.F.S) T Casey 4-16-0... W Naveres 3 2 0605 YEOSEAN FORCE 9 (F) K hory 4-9-9. W R Sministers 11 3 00-0 CRONE'S COURAGE 8 (D.F.S) G Lewis 4-9-9 4 90-9 EASILY BREEZE STJ (D.S) N McCourt 4-8-8

5 0555 GREEN DOLLAR 7 (D.F.C) E Wheeler 7-98 W Carness 18 6 Princhard-Gordon 4-9-6 A Munro 2 7 30-0 DAMASKEEN 23 (F) Mrs 5 Arraytage 4-9-5 9 00-5 PROPERS 8 P Milchell 4-9-3 A Clark 13 19 6-90 MALLAU 12 (C.D.F. L Holt 4-9-3 C Avery (7) 5 11 6323 SALLY'S SON 8 (C) W O'GOMMIN 4-9-2

24 - 25 BAYSHAM 16 (B) B MEMBY 49-1 P D'Arry 18
13 000 JUST SEYMOUR 122J B GUODY 48-1 R Fox 12
14 500 BLECTRIC MONEY 51J (D,F) W G M TURNOY 49-1 

4-1 Baysham, 5-1 Propers, 13-2 Yeoman Force, 7-1 Gree Doller, 8-1 Saby's Son, 9-1 No Quarter Given, 10-1 others. Course specialists

TRABEERS: A Stewart, 5 winners from 15 runners, 33.3%; W D'Gorman, 9 from 40, 22.5%; J Scargill, 4 from 21, 19.0%; C C Essey, 3 from 16, 18.6%; Mrs L Piggott, 5 from 27, 18.5%; B Hanbury, 6 from 34, 17.6%.

## Testing track can help Tirol complete fine Guineas double From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

THE Curragh executive has been fortunate in securing one of the needle matches of the Lotus Pool won here first time out and then beat Old Talka River by four lengths over this current season for the Airlie/Coolmore Irish 2,000 distance at the Phoenix Park The remainder of the runners fit Guineas, which is highlighted by into the rank outsider category a renewal of rivairy between and, in the belief that this testing Tirol and Machiavellian, who Curragh mile will suit Tirol filled the first two places in the better than Machiavellian, I fancy his chance of confirming On that occasion, Machiavel-

Newmarket form. The supporting group Tatter-salls EBF Rogers Gold Cup has also drawn together a splendidly

competitive nine-horse field even if the finish may be dominated by the five English

Batshoof, who met with interference when beaten two necks by Dolpour in the Gordon Richards Stakes at Sandown Park, is named as the main danger to Pirate Army who, returning to racing after an IImonth absence, was beaten less than a length into third place by Terimon in the Earl Of Section Stakes at Newmarket.

#### CURRAGH FIELD

Going: good

3.50 AIRLIE/COOLMORE IRISH 2,000 GUINEAS (Group I: Ir£134,400:

BBC1. C4

3-Y-O: 1m) (9 runners) Evens Tirol, 2-1 Machiavellian, 7-1 Royal Academy, 12-1 Lotus Pool, 25-1 Mr Brooks, 33-1 Noble Patriarch, 50-1 Legal Verdict, 66-1 Bastille Day, 100-1

1989: SHAADI 9-0 W FI Swinburn (7-2) M Stoute 12 ran

### Big-race form guide

would nave been a much stronger fancy for today's race as he has won his two earlier Curragh events very easily indeed. He scored in the Tetrarch Stakes with a good deal in hand, but in the parade ring had sweated up and his temperament for the big LEGAL VERDICT best Some Fun 11 in a DICKE 13-runner maiden here (61, good) on his reappearance. LOTUS POOL was eased Select

TIROL made a wiming responsarance with a short-head detest of Sure Sharp in the Group III Craven States at Newmarket (1m, good) and landed the 2,000 Guineas with a 2 success from MACHANACELLAN (same terms) over the same course and distance (good to firm).

MACHAVELLAN had previously beaten Ron's Victory 2½ in a Listed race at Machavellan had previously beaten Ron's Victory 2½ in a Listed race at Machavellan had previously beaten Ron's Victory 2½ in a Listed race at Machavellan had previously beaten Ron's Victory 2½ in a Listed race at Proents from the race here (7i, good) on reappearance of a Group III race here (7i, good) on his seasoned bow when beating Aminate 3 with LEGAL VERDICT (same terms) 1½ in a LISTED LAYER (1m, good). BASTILLE DAY beat Catch Twenty Two a head in an 8-runner meiden at Fairyhouse (7i, good). LEGAL VERDICT beat Some Fun 11 in a LICKENS LANE ½ in do 22 to Mayesty's DICKENS LANE 1/1 2nd of 22 to Majesty's Nurse at Leopardstown (St, good to firm). Selection: TIROL

#### THRSK

#### Selections

By Mandarin 2.15 Barakat. 2.45 Belle Chose. 3.15 Palatial Style. 3.45 Dashing Senor. 4.15 Spittin Mick. 4.45 Hallowed Ground, 5.15 Red Paddy.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Barakat. 3.15 Dutest. 3.45 Dashing Senor. 4.15 Like Amber. 4.45 Hallowed Ground.

Going: good to firm

Newmarket equivalent

lian, with an unbeaten French

record, started favourite but Freddie Head got himself into plenty of trouble in running. He

managed to get to the quarters of

Tirol, but by that stage he had used up his vital turn of acceleration and up the final

incline could pull out no extra as Tirol sustained a strong gallop.

At the winning post the pair

were separated by two lengths, but the general view was that it

would have been a much closer

run affair if the loser had been

ridden with the same judgement

displayed by Michael Kinane on

With Kinane claimed today for the unbeaten Weld runner

Lotus Pool, Pat Eddery is re-

united with Tirol on whom he

won the Craven Stakes last

the Classic Thoroughbreds plc.

whose fortunes are now so closely tied up with the fate of

the \$3.5 million yearling pur-chase Royal Academy.

But for his disappointing run in the Dewhurst Stakes, he

would have been a much stron-

This is a crucial afternoon for

Draw: 51-61, high numbers best 2.15 TETLEY BITTER MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,971: 1m 4f) (11 runners)

AHLORT H Cecil 8-11 BARAKAT 22 A Stewart 8-1 3 BARAKAT 22 A Sawert 8-11 M Roberts 5
0-4 BESTTO 10 R Hoffmshead 8-11 S Perts 7
0-9 SLISHING RED 15 N Byrooft 8-11 D Nicholas 16
0- KALYEE DANCER 238 E Weynes 6-11 Deen NicKerm 4
42-0 LINPAC LIGHT 22 W Elsey 8-11 M O'Freilly (7) 8
4 MISTY GLOW 21 J Elhenington 8-11 G Forster (7) 8
29 NAFZAWA 203 M Soute 8-11 M Birch 1
5 SRI M Bell 8-11 J Carrol 1
4 TESORA 224 W Jervis 8-11 M Tebbott 6
VANEE P Carrol 8-11 A Catherre 11

6-4 Allort. 5-2 Barakat, 7-2 Natwaza, 8-1 Tesora, 10-1 ito, 12-1 others. 2.45 SKIPTON SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,553:

STONELEIGH STAR J Baiding 8-5.... TEN O'CLOCKS M H Easterby 8-6.... 3-1 Minizen Music, 4-1 Kinlet Music, 5-1 Belle Chose, 6-1 ce Pedro, 8-1 Ten O'Clocks, 10-1 Kenton Lady. 3.15 DIBB LUPTON BROOMHEAD AND PRIOR CUP (Handicap: 3-Y-O: £3,850: 1m) (

1 0-15 SECRET SOCIETY 14 (D,F) M Camacho 9-7 2 G0-0 RISH EMERALD 32 (S) M Tompkins 9-5... T Williams 1
3 43-5 CASMTAL DAZZLER 14 (F) J Berry 9-5.... J Carroll 3
4 5-10 DUTEST 21 (F) A Stewart 9-3... M Roberts 2
5 -210 PALATHAL STYLE 4 (D,G) M Avison 8-13... M Wood 7
6 -831 NICE AND SHARP 15 (LS) R Hobinshead 9-9 S Periks 5
7 00-9 RED GALE 15 W Boey 8-0 ... S Wood (S) 18
8 0404 ESCAPE TALK 7 (F) M Britgin 7-11 ... J Lowe 9
9 0-62 AZUBAN 9 G Moore 7-8 ... N Kommedy (7) 8
10 44-6 SURDAY SPORTS PET 22 J Berry 7-7 ... L Charnock 8 10-11 Dutest, 4-1 Secret Society, 5-1 Cashtal Dezzler, 8-1 Nice And Sharp, 10-1 Azubah, 12-1 others.

## Course specialists

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 10 winners from 29 numers, 34.5%; M Stoute, 7 from 25, 26.7%; W Haggas, 4 from 15, 26.7%; K Brassey, 3 from 15, 26.7%; M H Easterby, 35 from 219, 16.0%. DOCKEYS: M. Roberts, 4 whiters from 23 rides, 17.4%; S. Whitworth, 3 from 19, 15.8%; N. Day, 6 from 40, 15.0%; Dason McKeown, 15 from 103, 14.8%; M. Birch, 33 from 230, 14.3%; Connorton, 15 from 118, 12.9%; A. Cushane, 10 from 76, 12.8%. (Not including yesterday's results)

## WARWICK

#### Selections By Mandarin

5.50 Persillant. 6.20 Skinnhill. 6.50 Sweet Diana. 7.20 Forest Flame. 7.50 Nathan Blake. 8.20 Nearly Ready. 8.50 Little Sail. Brian Beel's selection: 6.50 Sweet Diana

Golng: firm, (good to firm, back straight) 5.50 ALLIED DUNBAR HURDLE (£2,057: 2m) (7

1 0324 PERSILLANT 12 (D.F.G.5) N Timber 6-11-13 G McCourt
2 -PPO BOLD ANSWER 10 (D.F.) Mice G Roes 7-11-4
W Worthington
3 USO EYELIGHT 598 (D.F.) J Carden 13-11-4 M IV J Carden
4 RP PALAIS ROSE 33 (S) C Vernon Miles 9-10-11 S J C Media 5 OVD- TROJAN GOD 311F (D.F.S) G Jones 8-10-11 ... R Hyelt 6 OPUF MANOR PARK LASS 21 (B) R Wesver 6-10-8

7 USSS STRIKE A CHORD 3 Miss G Dollar 5-10-6 ..... H Davies 4-5 Persitiant, 4-1 Strike A Chord, 6-1 Eyelight, 8-1 Trojan God, 12-1 Manor Park Lass, 16-1 others. 6.20 HAWTAL WHITING HANDICAP CHASE

(£2,684: 2m 4f) (6) 3 2311 PALACE YARD 2 (D,F,S) K Wingrove 8-11-0 (6ex)

4 5-P4 JAY-ZEE BOY 7 (F) J Bradley B-10-2...... L Harvey 5 -465 SEVERN SOUND 7 (D.F.G) J Bradley 12-10-2... T Whit 6 0052 SCALE MODEL 12 (B) J Roper B-10-0....... R Hyett 13-8 Palace Yerd, 11-4 Irish Lord, 5-1 Skirmhill, 6-1 Scale Model, 8-1 Severn Sound, 12-1 Jay-Zee Boy. 8.50 RMC GROUP LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £2,794: 3m 1f) (8)

1 U-U1 RECTORY BOY 17 (F) 8 Llowellyn 7-12-2 Miss 8 Llowellyn (7) 2 1/3 AS YOU WERE 38 (F) J Turner 8-11-7 Mas N Bottmay (7)
3 /12- SHEET DIAMA 371 (F,S) C Dawson 11-11-2 4 4/6- CHEEGE CHAPPIE 381 H Reynolds 12-10-11
S P CORNISH SAWTHAN 15 Mrs 8 Spry 7-10-8
Black Agency (7)

5 P CORRIGHO CONTROL Mrs J Street (7)
6 CREEPING JANE O Limits 11-10-8 Mrs D Smith (7)
7 MISS RUGHELL Mrs G Edwards 7-10-6 Miss K Ellis (7)
8 -6R3 NOT QUITE A LADY 32 C Holden 11-10-6 Mrs L Ward (7) 8-15 Sweet Diana, 7-2 Rectory Boy, 5-1 Cheekle Chapple, 7-1 As You Were, 12-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: K Balley, 9 winners from 38 runners, 23.7%; M Pipa, 25 from 110, 22.7%; O Sherwood, 10 from 56, 17.9%; S Christian, 5 from 34, 14.7%; F Wahryn, 9 from 68, 13.6%; D Murray Smith, 4 from 30, 13.3%. JOCKEYS: W R Swinburn, 14 winners from 91 rides, 15.4%; W JOCKEYS: N Mann, 3 winners from 8 rides, 37.5%; M Perrett, 4 Cerson, 30 from 205, 14.6%; T Cultin, 31 from 219, 14.2%; M Roberts, 13 from 93, 14.0%; B Raymond, 15 from 112, 13.4%; M Fry, 3 from 23, 18.0%. 3.45 JOSHUA TETLEY HANDICAF (3-Y-O: £6,937:

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1 0-50 SER ARTHUR HOBBS 14 (F,G) F Lee 9-7

2 340 JUDGEWENT CALL 9 (F,G) M H Easserty 9-5 K Dartey

3 36-1 DASMING SENOR 24 (D,G) A Stowart 9-4. M Roberte

4 -310 LA DOMAINE 32 (G,S) C Nelson 8-10.... S Witterorth

5 0612 GABSIADINE 7 (CD-F) M Tompkins 8-4. T Wissesse

6 03-2 ALTAIA 10 W Haggas 8-3........... J Lowe

7 -220 WANDA 11 (B,G) M W Easserby 8-0....... J Lowe

8 86-3 SABONIS 30 (F) Denys Smith 7-13...... L Charnock

9 00-6 IMHOTEP 8 A Robson 7-7............ N Kennedy (7) 11

10 0025 GRANITTON BAY 11 (V,F) R Whitsker 7-7

S Wood (5) Evens Dashing Senor, 7-2 Alfala, 6-1 Judgement Call, 10-1 Wanda, 12-1 Gabbadini, 14-1 Granition Boy, 16-1 others.

4.15 DICK PEACOCK SPRINT HANDICAP (£3,158:

17) (19)
1 -001 AMIGO MENOR & (B,D,F,G) K Brassey 4-10-0 S Whitworth 9
2 1204 80 CAREFUL 7 (D,F,G,S) J Berry 7-9-12.... J Carnoll 17
3 -350 SALADAN KNIGHT 16 (D,F,G) Jimmy Fizograid 5-9-12 K Failon 11
4 -000 CUMBRIAN EXPRESS 12 (D,F) M H Easterby 5-9-12 M Binch 18
5 40-0 PRESTGATE 11 (D,F, J) Whatton 5-9-5... T Whitems 15
6 40-0 BERNISTEIN BETTE 21 (D,F,S) P Feighte 4-9-3 S Perics 19 7 3010 GOOS SOLUTION 25 (0,F,G,S) T Barron 9-9-1

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16 0-25 SPITTIN MICK 18 (C.BF.F) G Moore 6-7-8 ... J Lo
17 3030 WAVERLEY STAR 9 (B.D.F) J Wathweght 5-7-1 18 0-00 DORES GIFL 12 W Pearce 3-7-7 S Wood (5) 1 19 5565 TAKE EFFECT 9 (B,D,G) M British 6-7-7 D Wright (7) 2 5-1 Gods Solution, 6-1 Amico Menor Res Constitution (7) 2

5-1 Gods Solution, 8-1 Amigo Menor, So Careful, 7-1 Like Amber, 8-1 Singing Star, Spittin Mick, 10-1 Cumbrian Express. 4.45 EBF CARLTON MINIOTT MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: \$2,488: 5f) (11)

6 AZIA BLUE 33 N Bycroft 8-11 ... EXHELIA M H Easterby 8-11 .... HALLOWED GROUND 18 C Wall 8-11 .. 5 HALLOWED GROUND 18 C Wall 8-11
KAFFIE R Eamehaw 8-11
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PANAMA PATTI R Hollesheed 8-11
PATSYS PET T Fairhural 8-11
SI SING SHAART 24 M H Eastorby 8-11
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SI SING STANART 24 M H Eastorby 8-11 menton to M Sirch 4

13-8 She's Smart, 9-4 Latin Mass, 10-3 My Alma, 8-1 Exhelle, 10-1 Azul Blue, 12-1 others. 5.15 BET WITH THE TOTE STAKES (£3,622: 7f)

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5 0-01 EASTERN EMBER 7 (V,CD,F,G,S) S Norson 4-8-12 R Leppin (5) 2 6 -309 INISHPOUR 14 (C,D,F,G,S) A Robson 8-8-7

9 0-02 LUST OF LOVE 18 (CD,F) Miss L Siddal 4-7-12 7-2 List Of Love, 4-1 Oriental Splendour, 5-1 Eastern Ember, 6-1 Governership, 8-1 Superbrave, 10-1 Super Benz.

#### 7.20 HAWTAL WHITING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2.448: 2m) (6) 1 5223 SHERWOOD GUNNER 10 (D.G.S) O Breman 8-12-0

2 21-1 FOREST FLAME 12 (B,D,F,S) M Pros 5-11-8 3 3000 FRENDLY FELLOW 25 (B.D.F.G) F Jordan 6-11-2 4 FO11 SLEEPLINE ROYALE 9 (D.F.G.S) R Holder 4-10-10 9-4 Forest Flame, 11-4 Valtaki, 4-1 Sherwood Gunner, 8-1 epiine Royale, 9-1 Frendly Fellow, 11-1 Touch Of Speed.

7.50 CHARLECOTE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,360: 2m 5f) (7) 1 1011 NATHAN BLAKE 14 (B.D.F) K Bailey 5-12-0 5-4 Nathan Blake, 9-4 Gold Service, 4-1 Dark Sirona, 13-2 Prince's Court, 12-1 Super Triz, 14-1 others.

8.20 WALTER CHARLES CHALLENGE TROPHY (Novices Handicap Chase: £2,173: 2m 4f) (8) 

4 0132 CHICO VALDEZ 8 (F) M Chapman 6-10-7 R Quawcody
5 0234 GEE UP 12 D Grag 7-10-7 R Gendalain
6 0033 NEW GAME 8 P Jones 8-10-5 NOM-RURNER
7 3POP TIPPER LAD 21 C Las 8-10-5 D Gengater
8 5402 TARA BOY 9 R Francs 5-10-5 S J C'Helli 7-4 Gee Up. 11-4 Tara Boy, 9-2 Leventine Rose, 15-2 Chico Valdez, 8-1 London Windows, 10-1 Nearly Ready, 12-1 others.

8.50 GRUNWICK NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,940: 2m) (25)

50 LUCKACTIVE 32 G Jones 4-11-2 WideFartand
4 MAJOR PLAYER 33 R Weever 5-11-2 P Barnard (5)
PHAROAN'S 90N M Pipe 4-11-2 D Bridgardin (7)
RODE F Walnyn 4-11-2 Mr G Oxiey
SPIRIT OF YOUTH M Usher 5-11-2 S Harris (7)
MIDWEEK MELODY 23 G Broad 4-10-11
P McDanash (7)
98SS MARJORIE HILL M Chapman 4-10-11

98SS NABJORIE HILL M Chapman 4-10-11
P Harley (7) 9-4 Croghan Rose, 3-1 Little Sail, 4-1 Work To Win, 6-1 Rope, 8-1 After The Number, True Magec, 12-1 others.

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By Mandarin

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Selections

By Our Newmarket

Correspondent 2.00 Alton Bay. 2.30 Angel Bright.

3.00 RUDJIG (nap).

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## Zanoni tailor-made for competitive Newmarket feature

### By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

ZANONI, from the successful local stable of Michael Jarvis. is my idea of the likely winner of the Coral Bookmakers Handicap at Newmarket 10day, and he is my nap with Bruce Raymond in the saddle. Being a half-brother by Mummy's Pet to Forzando, who won seven times over six furlongs prior to be exported to the United States where he also did well, Zanoni has a

for this sort of race. It was over today's course and distance that he opened his account last month. On that occasion he started at odds-on on the strength of promising runs as a two-year-old behind Muwfiq at York and Heart Of Joy at Newbury.

pedigree that is tailor-made

If Jarvis was disappointed at the time to see Zanoni scrape home by only a short head, he was encouraged after-wards by the knowledge that fellow Newmarket trainer William Jarvis thinks quite highly of the runner-up, Drum Sergeant.

What I liked about that race was the way that Zanoni and at Kempton, considering Drum Sergeant forged clear of their rivals in the final furlong.

In giving Zanoni 9st 2lb to carry this afternoon, the handicapper has certainly not taken any chances. Yet Jarvis, who learned the tricks of the trade when working for the late Towser Gosden at Lewes, is reasonably happy with the assessment.

"He is also aware that the handicapper has been able to get to grips with several of his opponents who have com- to be in Baden Baden today by

be ridden by Steve Cauthen who also has good prospects of winning of Trifelie (20) and Roating (5.10).

At Newbury, it should not surprise to see Willie Carson win the first three races on Alton Bay (2.0), Hateel (2.30) and Rudjig (3.0).
At her best Sesame would

obviously be hard to beat in the Aston Park Stakes, having won the St Simon Stakes on the track last autumn,

However, even after making every allowance for the fact that it was her first race of the season, it was still disappointing to see Sesame finish last in the Jockey Club Stakes at Newmarket

Rudjig, who was deemed good enough to contest the Italian Derby last year, could prove the answer now that he will be getting weight from her, having won so easily at Warwick recently.

Hateel, my choice for the London Gold Cup, missed two earlier engagements this week especially to wait for this particular target. After that sound effort in the City and Suburban Handicap over a trip short of his ideal at Epsom, I just give him preference over Lord David S and Castle Clown.

Also, following good runs in better company, Sacred Number (4.0) and Emperor Fountain (4.30) look best in the two divisions of the Shaw Maiden

Blinkered first time NEWBURY: 4.9 Daedlock, NEWMARKET: 2.35 Trincomales, HARRI TON PARK: 7.30 Lowbard Thach, Triffisk: 2.45 Miss Calculate, Lingfield Park: 7.10 Lucky Osk, Royal Hunt, SOUTHWELL 6.45 Rum Jocksy. 7.45 Kali Kopelia, 8.45 Brigadiars Giory.



#### Michael Jarvis: high hopes for Zanoni

peted against one another already this season, most notably Case Law. Night At Sea, Metal Boys, Prohibition, Bold Lez and Tara's Girl. In the circumstances, I will not be surprised if Come On

Rosi turns out to be Zanoni's

most troublesome rival for she, like Zanoni, is relatively under exposed with only three races behind her. And like Zanoni, she also did well to win first time out this season where she was drawn. Interestingly, her trainer David Elsworth, who has enjoyed a good week already, eventually opted for a crack at the handicap instead of the Queensberry Fillies' Stakes. I am sure that he was right because Flower Girl appears to have a good chance of winning the latter race, having run so well against Dayjur at

As Richard Hills is required

Nottingham last time.

#### 3.00 Rudjig. 3.30 Berne Wooster. 4.00 Sacred Number. 4.30 Emperor Fountain. 3.30 ---4.00 Sacred Number. 4.30 Emperor Fountain. 5.00 Lost Innocence. 5.00 Lost Innocence. Michael Seely's selection 2.30 Castle Clown. Going: good to firm Draw: high numbers have slight advantage up to 1m straight 2.0 MAY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,722: 6f) (10 runners) (PBCI) W Careon — B Rouse — W Neuros — W Neuros — R Fox — W Ryan M Hills T Cultur ALTON BAY (A F Budge (Equine) Ltd) A Scott 9-0. BOLD NEPHEW (R Thompson) R Harmon 9-0. CALIBARIN (Milorew Stoodstoot) E Wheeler 9-0. G CAPITAL BOND SE (D Mort) R Holiar 9-0. DARHING PRINCE (M Molney) D Browne 9-0. HUSO (Sheikh Moltanimed) C British 9-0. LLAR'S POKER (A Walde) J Hits 9-0. 101 (3) 101 (3) 102 (10) 103 (8) 104 (8) 105 (4) 107 (5) 108 (2) 109 (1) NORTHERN RANGOW (G. Johnson) P Cole 9-0... PUNCH N'RUN (R Bernerd) R Hannon 9-0... TOMS PROSPECT (F Ward) C Nelson 9-0..... BETTING: 13-8 Northern Rambow, 3-1 Alson Bay, 4-1 Huso, 9-2 Toms Prospect, 10-1 Bold Nephew, 1969: NORTHERN GODDESS 8-9 J Matthias (5-1) I Belding 9 ran FORM FOCUS CAPITAL BOND supported in the market prior to finishing just over 9 8th to itsigame at Doncaster (5f, good to firm). ALTON EAV (Fosied April 9) cost \$2,000gms and is by Al Near out of a half-broader to three winners including the King's April 9) cost \$2,000gms and is by Al Near out of a half-broader to three winners including the King's Stand winner African Song, NORTHERN RANGEOV BOLD NEPHEW (Fosied Fabruary 6) cost 47,000gms as a yearing and is a first foal by top class sprinter. Never So Bold out of a mare who won over 1m 4f. 2.30 LONDON GOLD CUP HANDICAP (£7,876: 1m 3f) (13 runners) (BBC1) 201 (7) 2020-20 MARRIE DIVER 25 (G) (C Shiscolae) P Cole 4-10-0. T Outloo 202 (B) 1140- BOLD FOX 189 (F,0) (Sise Chip Racing Pic) G Harwood 4-9-11. A Modisione 203 (2) 52116-2 LORD DAVID 6 52 (BF.F,G) (H Kasker) B Hills 4-0-10. M Hills 204 (10) 11164-0 BIENNEAL 35 (F) (K Abduta) G Herwood 4-9-10. A Clark 205 (4) 1/2100-2 CASTLE CLOWN 32 (V.F.S) (Lady Mundroff Lady Herries 5-0-2. W R Switzern 206 (11) 1031-12 HATEEL 25 (P) (H Al-Melcoum) P Wathlyn 4-9-0. W Carpool 207 (13) 50/6113- QUEEN ANGEL 344 (D,F) (hirs B Fairments) Miss B Sandars 4-8-11. W Revenea 208 (1) 015011- FREST VICTORY 194 (F,G) (D Seele) R Harmon 4-8-6. B Rouse 209 (S) 53342-0 SUPER LURAR 10 (F,G) (D Seele) R Harmon 4-8-6. B Rouse 210 (6) 252-250 ANGEL BRIGHT 12 (A Gawithrop) E Edin 4-7-12. R Foxt 211 (5) 40014-4 COOL RUN 12 (F,G.S) (Mrs M Thomas) B McMelhon 5-7-10. G Hind (5) 212 (3) 240-80 POLAR VIBION 17 (V) (R Berenson) C C Bisey 4-7-9. N Adams 4 213 (12) 04816-0 NAZMIAH 37 (S) (A Hotelssi) A Hide 4-7-7. Dele Gibson (3) Long handlesp: Nazmish 7-6. BETTING: 11-4 Lord David S, 4-1 Castle Clown, 9-2 Hatsel, 7-1 Blennial, 8-1 Bold Fox, 9-1 First Victory. 10-1 Manne Diver, 12-1 others. 1989: MY LAMB 4-10-0 R Hills (9-1) R Johnson Houghton 12 ran FORM FOCUS MARRINE DIVER, dishad earlier put up a much better effort when ½ 2nd to Bershoot at Kempon (Im 2t, firm). LORD DAVID S was very heavily backed when a creditable ½ 2nd to Brackette (winner next time) at Newmarket (Im 2t, good) with ANGEL BRIGHT (IIIb better off) 7½ 5m. CASTLE CLOWN unable to quicken when 4l 2nd to Startet at Kempton (Im 2t, good) with POLAR VIStartet at Kempton (Im 2t, good) with POLAR VISelection: LORD DAVID S Selection: LORD DAVID S 3.0 ASTON PARK STAKES (Listed race: £10,566: 1m 5f 60yd) (9 | 307 | (8) | 02521-8 | SESAME 15 (C.F.G.S) (C Spence) D Morley 5-9-1 | W R Sefabura 302 | (6) | 061135- LANDYAP 374 (P) (Drummohr Investments Ltd) D Eleworth 6-8-11 | B Rouse 303 | (7) | 21/ MUTHAIGA 521 (G) (A Bengough) J Toller 4-9-11 | W Maurie 304 | (3) 3/625-1 RUDMG 22 (P) (Sheith Moharmad) J Goeden 4-8-11 | W Carson 305 (1) | By BERESSION 93U (G Combon) H Cardy 4-8-8 | C Rutte 305 (8) | 054-4 | ROSGILL 16 (Brigadier Flecing) P Matchail 4-8-8 | W Ryst 307 (4) 31180-4 AMELIANNE 11 (P) (H Senn) D Esworth 4-8-6 | J Villams 308 (5) | 154405- DALFY DANCER 235 (F.G.S) (J Benbow) 8 Mohalmon 6-8-8 | T Carlot 309 (2) | FARFIELDS CONE 138J (Mrs C Holder) R Dickin 7-8-3 | G Bastin 509 (2) | SETTING: 15-8 Sesame, 5-2 Amelianse, 3-1 Rudig, B-1 Landyap, 10-1 Muthaigs, 16-1 others. Truction selling Easterby 4-10-0.... K Darley 5 5 (C,G) W Pearce 4-9-11 D Nicholis 14 0,5; W Wilson 7-9-4.... — 2 9 (C,S) J Spearmy 4-9-3 M Wigham 15 FORM FOCUS SESAME, lest of 7 in a Group II event at the second of the se 3-9-1 — 11 19 Hebr 7-8-10 — 13 3 K McGauley 5-8-8 — 4 1 M O'Nell 3-6-7 — 3 Modiant 5-8-5 — 10 my Fizzgerati 4-8-4 — 8 noise 4-8-4 — Kim Tieder 9

NEWMARKET

Selections

By Michael Seely

3.10 MAXIMILIAN (nap). 3.40 Come On Rosi.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.10 FLOWER GIRL.

2.0 MATTHEW DAWSON MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,600: 1m 6f) (5 runners)

2.35 GINISTRELLI CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: 23,132: 1m 4f) (13 runners)

BETTING: 4-6 Tritolio, 3-1 Taroom, 4-1 Cartain Creetor, 25-1 Spider Woman, 33-1 Chryd Lodge. 1969: WELD 9-0 B Reymond (11-10 tav) W Jarvis 7 ran

By Mandarin

3.40 ZANONI (nap).

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2.00 Trifolio. 2.35 Pointe Of Law. 3.10 Hajade. By Our Newmarket

2.00 Trifolio.

3.40 Zanoni.

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2.35 Prince Livermore. 3.10 Hajade.

4.10 Flower Girl. 4.40 Touch Of White.

## HAMILTON PARK

9 100- BURNDITCH GIRL 338 (S) Mrs G Reveloy 4-9-1 II A Giles (S) 11 

7-2 Delay Girl, 11-2 Mr Chris Cakerneker, 7-1 Sola Mie, 8-1 Astrappens, Al Shareef, 10-1 Satin Lake, 12-1 others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: D Burchall, 3 winners from 12 runners, 25.0%; Jenny Fitzgereld, 5 from 26, 19.2%; N Tender, 14 from 73, 19.2%; P Makin, 3 from 17, 17.6%; Mrs G Reveley, 12 from 71, 16.9%; J Berry, 32 from 198, 16.2%.

JOCKEYS: M A Glass, 3 winners from 10 rides, 30.0%; Kim Tinder, 11 from 82, 13.4%; K Darley, 37 from 288, 12.8%; N Connocton, 12 from 108, 11.1%; J Blassdele, 7 from 69, 10.1%; D Nicholis, 23 from 231, 10.0%.

HAMILTON PARK	7.30 DALLFIELD CONSTRUCTION SELLING HANDICAP (£2,868: 1m 40yd) (16) 1 0031 QUBNY 19 (B,CD,P) M W Easterby 4-10-0 K Darley 5 2 -400 LONG ARM OF THILAW 5 (C,G) W Payros 4-9-11
Selections By Mandarin 6.30 Allez-Oops. 7.0 Trip To The Moon. 7.30 Fair Wicker. 8.0 Imitate. 8.30 Elbio. 9.0 Great Chaddington. By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.30 Wylam. 7.0 Asitappens.	3 000- BELLY'S DANCER SSJ (CD.9) W Wilson 7-9-4 2 4 0024 PRETTY PRECOCKOUS 19 (C.S.) J Spearing 4-9-3 M Wigham 15 5 0-05 SHIKARI KED 22 S Norton 3-9-1 7 6 0-29 FAMR WICKET 26 J Berry 3-9-1 11 7 550- SHY MICKET 26 J Berry 3-9-1 11 8 1S20 VICTORY TORCH 4 (CD.5) K McGaudy 5-8-8 4 9 0-85 LOMBARD THATCH 9 (V) M CYNON 3-8-7 3 10 600 CRUENTAL CHARM 30 D Moritali 5-8-5 19 11 000- AMPIELD SALLY 163 JIMMY FIZZORIGI 4-8-4 KM TIMSTER 5 12 050- FIESOLE 19 Don Errico Incide 4-8-4 KM TIMSTER 5
Going: soft Draw: 51-61, high numbers best 6.30 GEORGE JAMES PLANT LTD MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,394: 1m 41) (9	13 6-03 MISS DELLAN 31 P Evans 4-8-2
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15.R Street 0 15-8 Scales Of Justice, 11-4 How, 4-1 Ville Blanca, 13-2 Guillend, 8-1 Dencing Days, 10-1 Flame Flower, 12-1 others. 6.45 BEECHDALE KOPPARFORS RALLY MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: 22,526; 1m 3f) (10)

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10 800- SNOW SHY 191 Pat Mindred 8-9 S O'Gorman (5) 9 6-4 Commanche Nation, 7-2 Alsaamer, 11-2 I See Ica, 8-1 Himelsham Harry, 10-1 Far Too Loud, 12-1 others. 7.15 BEECHDALE CARLSSON MAIDEN STAKES

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2 (5) ALWAYS REMEMBER (D Price) J Toller 9-0 N Cartisle
3 (1) BLUEFIELD BAY 15 (Ocoanic Lid) R Armstrong 9-0 S Remeus
4 (4) G CURTAIN UP 30 (Lord Deliroth) R Guest 9-0 P Brette
5 (11) DR ROBERT (Dr M Boffs) L Currenti 9-0 J Wasner (7)
6 (7) GEORGE JET (Charles H Waster III) Mrs L Piggott 9-0 B Crossley
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8 (8) MAXIMILIAN (Sheltin Mohammed) J Gooden 9-0 G Delfield 9
9 (6) RAW TALENT (M Greenwey) W Hagges 9-0 Ron Hillia (5) 10 (10) WHEELS OF WEETMAN (Ed Westman Lin) B McMelhon 9-0 B Reymond BETTHIS: 7-4 Adamik, 11-4 Maximilian, 6-1 Hajade, Bluefield Bay, 10-1 Dr Robert, 12-1 April Cracker, 1989: PORTER RHODES 9-0 Paul Enter (6) 13 (1) 1989: PORTER RHODES 9-0 Paul Enter (6) 13 (1) 1989: PORTER RHODES 9-0 Paul Enter (6) 13 (1) 10 (1) 1989: PORTER RHODES 9-0 Paul Enter (6) 13 (1) 10 (1) 1989: PORTER RHODES 9-0 Paul Enter (6) 13 (1) 10 1989: PORTER RHODES 9-0 Paul Eddery (8-13 fev) H Cecil 12 ran FORM FOCUS BILIEFELD BAY 14 point of a Petingo more and scale place of a Petingo more and scale place of the Charmer at Newmerket (1m, good to firm). ADAMIK, the stable's selected of two entries, by L'Emigrant and is a half-brother to a winner in the States.

CURTAIN UP 14th of 19 to Lond Florty in a Newmerket maiden (7f, good) at the Craven Meeting, DR and of 10 to Hot Protomer in a claiming rice at POBERT, by Commencie Rum out of a High Top mere, he is a half-brother to the useful of winner Be.

No Selection mare, he is a half-brother to the useful of whicher be 1 No. 23.40 CORAL BOOKMAKERS HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £19,575: 6f) (11

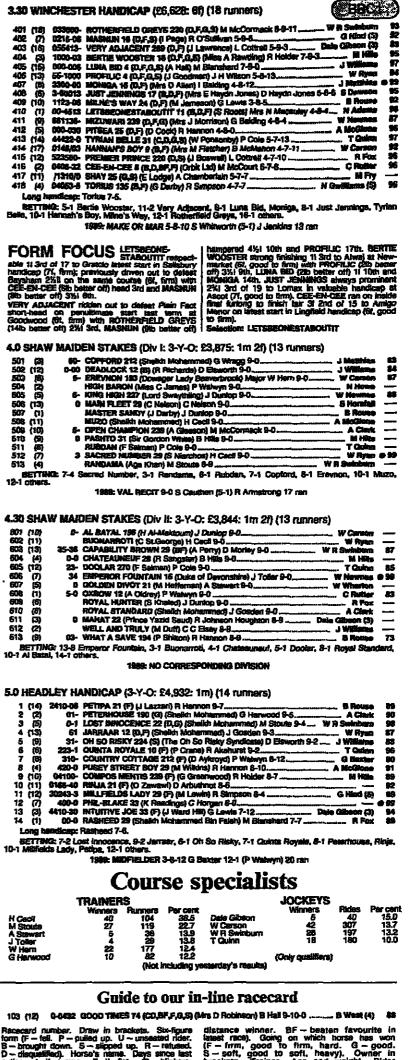
BETTING: 5-1 Come On Rosi, 6-1 Zenoni, 7-1 Case Law, 8-1 Prohibition, Sold Laz, 9-1 Pinnacle Point, 10-1 Northern Goddess, 12-1 Night At Sea, 14-1 others. 1989: DIDICOY 8-12 L Dettori (5-1) J Tree 11 ran

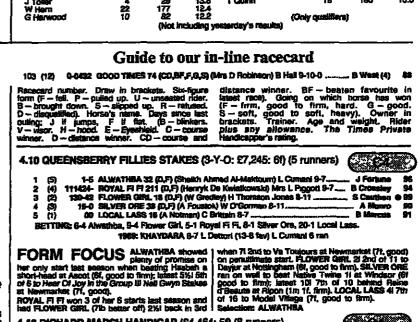
FORM FOCUS CASE LAW made all to best NIGHT AT SEA (1ib worse off) 1/1 in an apprentice race at Ricon (8f. good). BOLD LEZ subsequently best Low Returned 4i at Sandown (6f. good) best Ricon (8f. good). BOLD LEZ subsequently best Low Returned 4i at Sandown (6f. good to firm). NORTHERN GODDESS got up in the final strides to NORTHERN GODDESS got up in the final strides to Northern (6f. good); latest 11 2nd of 12 to Noble Match at Newbury (6f. good) with NETAL BOYS (1fb better off) a head 2nd.

ZANONI was all out to best Drum Sergeant a shorthead in a 10-runner meloen at Newmarket (6f. good). Northern race at Kempton (6f. firm). PNNACLE POINT has been raised 3ib for his neck win from Northern Rough (6f. firm). Selection: CASE LAW

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4.40 RICHARD MARSH HANDICAP (£4,464: 5f) (8 runners) FORM FOCUS LUCEDED beat Almost Blue a nk at SKI CAPTAIN 12th. LAKE MISTASSIU ¼i 2nd of 9 to York (5f. good) on Wednesdey; seriler beat R A Express 2¼ at Beverley (5f. firm) with CANTORIS (2/dip beater off) a short-head and record of 12 to Friendley Perison at Epsom (5f. good). MALUNAR beat Penultimetro 11 in a graduation TOUCH OF WHITE beat Crust Express ¼i at Doncaster (5f. good to firm) with LUCEDEO (3ib worse)

5.10 FELIX LEACH MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,027: 8f) (16 runners) EACH MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: 24,027
SIR BANCROFT (D Price) H Collingridge 9-1.
CARRISTEA CUDDY (Mrs S Crompton) J Scargill 8-11.
REZA (A Unantenne) G Huffer 8-10.
SCREEN SEREMADE (P Kellewsy) P Kellewsy 8-8.
HIDEPENDENT ARI (B Gower) D Thom 8-6.
DEADLY TOUCH (J Dwight) P Howing 8-5.
SOMERSAULTING (M Burler) A Devison 8-5.
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CARN MARE (GLD Princhard-Gordon) R Smyth 8-2.
REVERAIN (M HR) M Janvis 8-2.
3 ELIBINE SPRIT 46 (Mrs J Metrin) J Scargill 8-1.
GLENELIANE (Mrs R Smith) Pat Mitchell 8-0.
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GUALITAIR PHONESE (P Bottonley) J Sconniey 8-0. 3 (2) 4 (15) 5 (14) 6 (6) 7 (10) 8 (4) 9 (7) 10 (13) 11 (8) 12 (11) 13 (5) 14 (15) 15 (8) 16 (12) ..... 3 Catiban .... T Nickepun N Carlisle ... A She BETTING: 11-4 Madagens Grey, 4-1 Routing, 6-1 Riversin, 7-1 Elusive Spirit, 10-1 Sir Bancroft, 12-1 sen Serenade, 14-1 Cambres Cuddy, 16-1 Others.

#### 1989: CALL TO ARMS B-12 B Raymond (6-1) C Brittein 12 ran On Tiptoes has Beverley date

ON TIPTOES, the 5-1 outsider of the party, was never headed in the Ditch Fillies Stakes at Newmarket yesterday, and scored by two lengths to give Gainsborough trainer Jim Leigh his first Headquarters winner with only his second runner on the course.

Leigh recalled: "I brought another two-year-old filly here called Jury a long time ago and site ran well to finish fourth. I hope this one is a lot better than

Jury."

On Tiptoes had created a good impression when winning on her debut at Ripon and broke quickly to take full advantage of the low draw. The only one that could go with her was Jack Berry's Doncaster winner Heaven-Liegh-Grey. Royal Ascot could now be on the agenda for On Tiptoes. "She may go for the Hilary Needler Trophy at Beverley in a couple of weeks and if we still think

she is good enough she would go for the Queen Mary at Royal Ascot," added

"We have also put her in the £100,000 Racecall Gold Trophy at Redcar, I am sure there is strong improvement in The bookmakers enjoyed another

outsider, at 33-1, when course specialist Mango Manila burst through late to foil the front-running 20-1 shot Tauber in the Brandon Handicap. Mango Manila's three successes have all been over Newmarket's seven fur-

longs but it was the first winner of the season for Con Horgan. He said: "Mango Manila's owner, Ricardo Del Rosario, likes to see his horses when they win but he went back to Manila last week so I don't know what he'll have to say.

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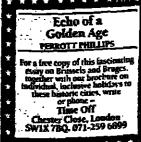
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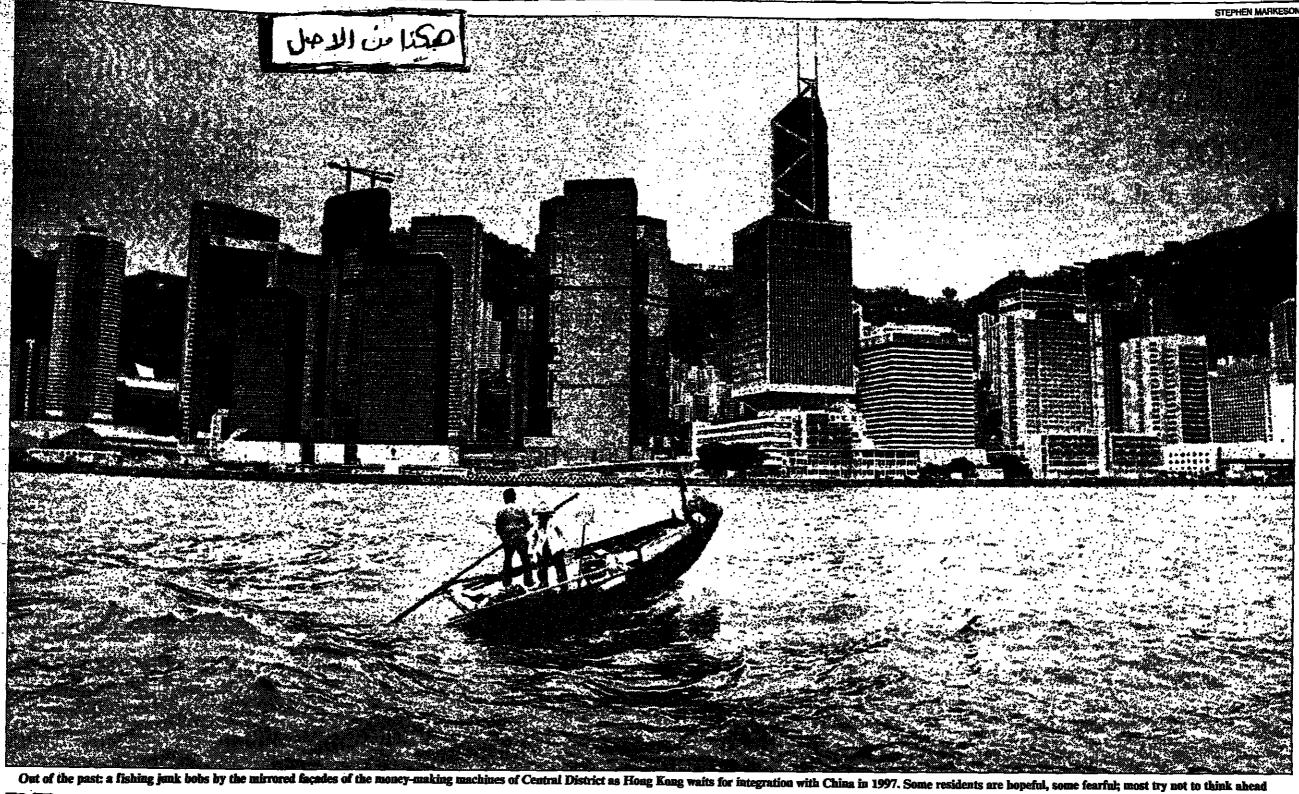
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Before Tiananmen Square the future was uncertain, but not palpably dreaded. A Chinaman of Hong Kong harbour which is a dig in anyone's emotional ribs. On sunny mornings when a breeze puts a chop in the water. junks of ancient design dip crazily about their business, slicing close to venerable Star Ferries, amphisbaenic for endlessly repeated voy- his mien correctly, for he is ages between Kowloon Peninsula properly inscrutable, he is not

On soggy days when the sky clever civil servant, hangs low, the city shines in the narrow gap between water and vapour like a promising seam of ore. Swags of cloud slide past their own reflections on cliffs of mirrored curtain walling, behind which the money-making machines of Central District hum and At night Hong Kong shimmers with a high-intensity glitter. A million lights bounce off hard surfaces, multiplied by water, by diamonds, by eyes shining in

lives accelerating uncontrollably towards inevitable but unknowable change. No future, corporate or personal, can be planned except in the knowledge that in 1997 ing tact, or callousness, as a territory. To the millions born and living there it is the only home, British or Chinese, they are ever

the world whom I have known for a number of years no longer makes once-frequent journeys from Hong Kong, where he prospers, to China, where he was born. If I read fearful, but ashamed.

another Hong Kong Chinese success story, who has the option of moving to Britain, plans, like many others, to make his move, should it come to that, to another country in the Pacific basin. His sees this as the area of the world most likely to flourish. He, like everybody one asks, hopes that their lives in Hong Kong will carry on much as before. Optimists continue to favour hope, pessimists the worst. A majority is fatalistic and tries not to think too far ahead. Seven years, they say, is a long way in the future for a man as old as China's

## Spinning towards the unknown

octogenarian leader Deng Xiaoping. Look what has happened in Europe. Why not China?

In the meantime, until the recently announced new airport on neighbouring Lantau Island opens for business in 1997, pilots will continue to rely on the mark-one human eyeball to steer the world's big jets low over Kowloon's rooflops to land, where no computer system can yet put them safely, on Kai Tak's runway in the middle of Hong Kong harbour.

In the meantime inhibited Chinese fuelled on brandy let their hair down in Karaoke lounges, performing lustily to sing-along videos which are the latest craze imported from Japan.

In the meantime white women, who are of course pink but are always called European, try to ignore their shining noses and perspiration patches and how exasperatingly well their Oriental sisters keep both face and figure into coolly elegant old age.

In the meantime the accents of the almost too smoothly pinstriped young city types are

In the last of our Great Cities series.

Travel Editor

**Shona Crawford** Poole reports on

the high-density, high-intensity life

of Hong Kong increasingly Harvard where once they were Harrow.

And in the meantime, despite a proliferation of air-conditioned shopping mails riddled with Armani, Ashley et al., despite ever more of the climatized high-level walkways which segregate the very well dressed from the less so at street level, and despite skyscraping towers of offices and flats appearing with the sudden-

ness of mushrooms on every horizon, Hong Kong retains its raffish entrepot air.

Real trams clank the length of

Wanchai and Central districts for fares that are pennies, offering from the unglazed upper windows constant views of the passing throng and glimpses of the great cargo ships in the roads being ed around by of lighters.

Fragrant Harbour is what the name Hong Kong means, but pollution poses fragrancy problems these days. Despite unseen microbiological threats to the human gut, small boys throng the sea walls filling old tins with tiny fish that are plainly intended for the wok. Their mothers and their sisters and their grannies and their aunts meantime, the older women still often seen in traditional dress of tunic and trousers, scour the markets for the crispest vegetables and the liveliest fish. Freshness is a fetish which accounts, in part, for the city's high reputation as a gastronomic showcase for regional styles of Chinese cooking, Hunan is the flavour of the moment,

Eating out, often in large groups, is another Chinese obsession indulged in by everyone who can afford to. A contributory reason for these public family meals is the formidable cost of housing in this land-starved community. A garden is an almost unthinkable luxury even for those who have made it and live on the Peak, as Hong Kong Island's poshest residential district is known.

The New Territories are where most of the high-rise housing is going up fastest, its construction accelerated by completion of the efficient Mass Transit Railway system. In Mrs Chan's tiny Litchen 30 floors up in one of the public housing schemes that provides homes for nearly half of burned in tiny Buddhist shrine crammed between larder and iron-

The family's washing, Hong Kong's national flag, was threaded on poles poked out of the kitchen window. The flat was minute, everything stowed ingeniously as on a small boat. A television and video recorder dominated the living room. "You have to have video if you want to keep your children at home," Mrs Chan said, smiling over the heads of her two daughters.

At ground level are the community's shops, with grandmothers much in evidence as child-

minders. Here, too, are the day centres for the elderly and for the handicapped, facilities which allow all but the most severely disabled to live with their families. And here, too, are the schools and kindergartens. I puzzled for a while about why a whole class of pocket-sized three-year-olds, with their colouring books open at an outline of sheep, should start colouring them with blue or yellow polka dots. Then it dawned: these tots had never seen wool on the hoof, but they had been taught it whorled: I wondered, looking at the spotted sheep, what they had made of the

At nursery school they were already learning English, the passport in these parts to well paid employment. But as anyone using the city's shops and hotels will quickly hear, a form of English is developing which is a Hong Kong patois that is an increasingly long way from what, if I may call it that, is the real thing.

The New Territories used to be where people went to see a landscape of duck ponds and fish farms. There is not much of that left now, and Hong Kong's other islands, Lamu. Cheung Chau and, until the planes start arriving, Lantau, are the weekend retreats of the haves - those, that is, who do not get right away from it all to the casinos of Macau. Take a ferry. It costs less than excursion boats, and offers neither loud-spoken commentary nor fizzy drink.

#### HONG KONG: WHERE TO STAY AND WHAT TO DO

Accommodation: Why stay anywhere that lacks harbour views if you can pick a hotel that has them? Another decision is whether to use Hong Kong Island or Kowloon as a base. Those with business in the financial district will favour Central district, on the island; obsessive shoppers may prefer Kowloon. Most location. hotels automatially add a service charge to their rates as well as a 5 per cent government tax.

I am a creature of habit, and remain true to the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, 5 Connaught Road, Central, GPO Box 2623, Hong Kong (1-522 0111). Suites from about £250 a night to £1,115 at current exchange s, double rooms start at £115. Service here is quite simply superb. For those who thought they had everything, a personal butter comes with the ergest suites. The location, just behind the Star Ferry terminal, could not be better for views or meetings.

and Hong Kong Island.

anticipation of a lucky wager, a

good dinner, cold beer, love,

laughter, and the excitement of

The Regent, Salisbury Road, Tsimshatsule, Kowloon (3-721 1211). Suites from £185 a night. Doubles from £120. This hotel josties the Mandarin Oriental for Hong Kong's top ratinos in surveys.

The Peninsula, Salisbury Road, Tsimshatsule, Kowloon (3-666251). Suites from £310. Doubles from £165. A colonial style hotel in the grand tradition. The lobby's popularity for tea is so great

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that it is now like a station

concourse, and old tea-timers take it upstairs. At the opposite end of the price scale is the Herbour View International House, 4
Harbour Road, Wanchal (5-201111). Doubles from £50. This hotel is run by the YMCA and offers comfortable, notrills facilities in an excellent

The new Gault Millau guide, The Best of Hong Kong (André Gayot, £14.95) gives pithy, subjective assessments of selected hotels in the middle price range.

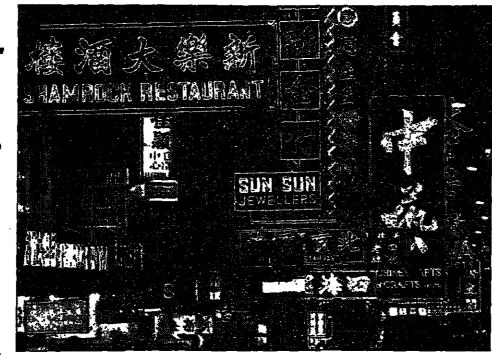
Getting there: Cathay Pacific (071-930 7878) offers direct and stopping flights from London Gatwick. A Pex return costs from £580. Cathay's first-place service 52 705 first-class service £3,095 return is superb, and on the direct flight especially, the airline's Marco Polo business class affords a very tolerable opportunity to sleep at £1,571

Holidays: British Airways'
Speedbird Holidays offers a
one-week stay at the Mandarin
Hotel for £851. Prices to Hong Kong start from £665, and escorted tours of the Far East from £841 for 14 nights including Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok and Penang. Speedbird Holidays (0293

611611) Getting around: The Star Ferry at 5p a go is still one of the great rides of the world, and a much nicer way to cross from Hong Kong Island to Kowloon than the harbour tunnel, which should anyway be avoided in

the rush hour. Top hotels meet their guests at the airport and deliver them to their hotels. The Mandarin Oriental's cars have immaculate white duck covers

on their seats. Taxi fares are cheaper than in London. But it may be wise to take a map if your destination could be untamiliar to the driver. The name of your destination, written in Chinese



Night lights: after dark the city streets are festooned with blinking neon

if it is unusual or a private address, is a useful service performed by hotel staff. Tourist tickets for the Mass Transit Railway cost about £1.50, Avoid the rush hour.

What to see: The 4.5 nights that an average visitor from Britain spends in Hong Kong is not long enough to have good clothes made. A survey found that most people wished they had stayed a week or more, which is. The figures are quoted by the formidably efficient Hong Kong Tourist Association, which produces showers of free information and excellent full and half-day tours under its own label. The newest of these are "Home Visits" to high-rise housing developments in the New Territories. More conventional

tours take in tombs, old villages and temples.

Flagstaff House Museum of Tea Ware is a place of pilgrimage on my visits to Hong Kong, and a pool of serenity. The collection is housed in the oldest domestic building still standing, the former headquarters of the Commander of the British Forces, built in 1844. It is at Cotton Tree Drive, Central (5-

Where to eat: Because the best hotels can afford to pay high salaries, the best Chine chefs are often to be found in them. They are frequentlypoached and hard to keep track of. Followers of Gault Millau will probably ignore local opinion, which does not always share the Frenchmen's views.

For Hunan cooking, the in thing, ignore if you can the lily pads on the carpet of the Hunan Garden and eat lambs' paws, superbly braised meat falling off unrecognizable pones, and the hot chicken with chill. At The Forum, Exchange Square, Central (5-868 2880). Expect to pay about £25 for two.

It is very easy to run up huge restaurant bills in Hong Kong. Choosing a place with flashy decor is one way, choosing dishes with mightily expensive ingredients is another. Watch out for such traditional Cantonese delicacies as shark's fin, abalone, fish maw, goose webs and fresh garoupa. All these for three at the Forum Restaurant, 485 Lockhart Road, Causeway Bay (5-891 2555), came to about 275 a head.
But good food need not be costly in Hong Kong. The dim sum cafés without English menus offer inexpensive ating to those willing to point at what they want when it comes round on trolleys. And in Yang Kee at 32-40 Wellington Street, Central (5-231562) the carmy diner can eat and drink well for £10 a head, its soups and vegetables

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come in for praise. European food is readily available in the hotels, and the Mandarin Oriental's new shop selling bread and patisserie does a roaring trade with the expatriate population. The hotel's French restaurant, the Pierrot, is serious and luxurious, although at the last visit there was a disappointing flavour of Swiss hotel school gravy creeping into the sauces Night life: Much of Hong Kong's night life is of the showy, private sort. Diamonds sparkle on pretty necks in Rolls-Royces speeding past to gatherings the visitor will have

no inkling of. Some of this show goes public at cultural events, which tend in this last outpost of empire to be visiting performances by world-class Evening horse racing with the glitterati at Happy Valley or Sha Tin is an event well worth witnessing. If you lack contacts to provide an invitation, the

Hong Kong Tourist Association offers tours with dinner. Topless bars and hostess nightclubs are not hard to find. Live bands to dance to play in

popular hotel nightclubs -- the Pink Giraffe at the Sheraton (3-691111) and the Eagle's Nest at the Hilton (5-233111). The Poor Man's Nightclub, an open air market with food

stalls, operates every evening at the Macau Ferry Pier, Western District, Hong Kong, and is of course free, unless your pocket is picked. The dialling code for Hong Kong is 010 852.



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Nearer to France, closer to home

Pleasures of an Exmoor table make a memorable weekend for George Hill

ne thing in the world of the country house has not changed days of the Wodehouse novels. Blandings Castle may have become a conference hotel, the Drones spinning sauce and wild mushrooms. down from Mayfair in their little sports cars may have given way to commodity bro-kers in Porsches, and the quarters of the departed Empress may have been converted into self-catering apartments. But the question of chefs is just as dramatic as in the days when Aunts and Baronets would plumb the depths of human anguish and perfidy in their rivalry to secure the services of the

unforgettable sauces. Unwary travellers are all too much at risk of arriving at a country house hotel whose cooking has been warmly praised only to have the realization dawn, as their host unfolds the tale of tonight's menu beside the blazing fire, that the chef has moved on. Country hotel owners wake sweating in the middle of the night from the same nightmare that convulsed many an Edwardian chatelain: they have succeeded in recruiting a good cook, as cooks go - and that, as good cooks go, theirs far more than the managerial

inimitable Anatole and his

For ambitious young chefs, a peaceful spot in the countryside is an excellent place to make a name. Once that is achieved, the bright lights can become a great temptation. As they spread their wings, the places where they made their names can be left gravely bereft, for there is all the difference in the world between a hotel where the cooking is adequate, and one where it is worth seeking out.

Periton Park Hotel, on the edge of Exmoor, has a very good cook indeed. I do not want to decry the hotel's many other attractions, still less to imply any weakness in the ties of loyalty that bind Clive Arthur to Christine and Ian Dodd, the hotel's owners, if I say that the menu is Periton Park's greatest strength.

Mr Arthur is an imaginative and eclectic cook. He treats vegetables with tenderness and respect, which is a test of seriouspess. In a spot which is a little way off the special terms for weekend

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lished lines of supply which seem to operate efficiently.
One can well imagine Aunts

Only half an hour from the M5, Periton Park is not as far from the beaten track as all that. But the north edge of Exmoor, between the Quan-tocks and Lynmouth, remains relatively peaceful, especially outside the summer season.

It is just at that time of year. that a solid Victorian house. built on a family rather than a feudal scale; and surrounded by 32 acres of gardens and woods, can be one of the most comfortable places on earth. One gazes out through wide bow windows at the mist flowing over the high moorland, and faces with equanimity the alternatives of striding out to glimpse the red deer if the weather clears, or taking a turn round the baronial billiard-table if it does not. Periton Park is one of those

hotels where the visitor who expects to sink into institutional anonymity, and is not prepared to sing for his supper, will miss much of the point. Mr and Mrs Dodd regard themselves as hosts in sense. They make a point of breaking the ice with introductions over the brandy, and the conferences over the serious business of the menu are a major event of the day.

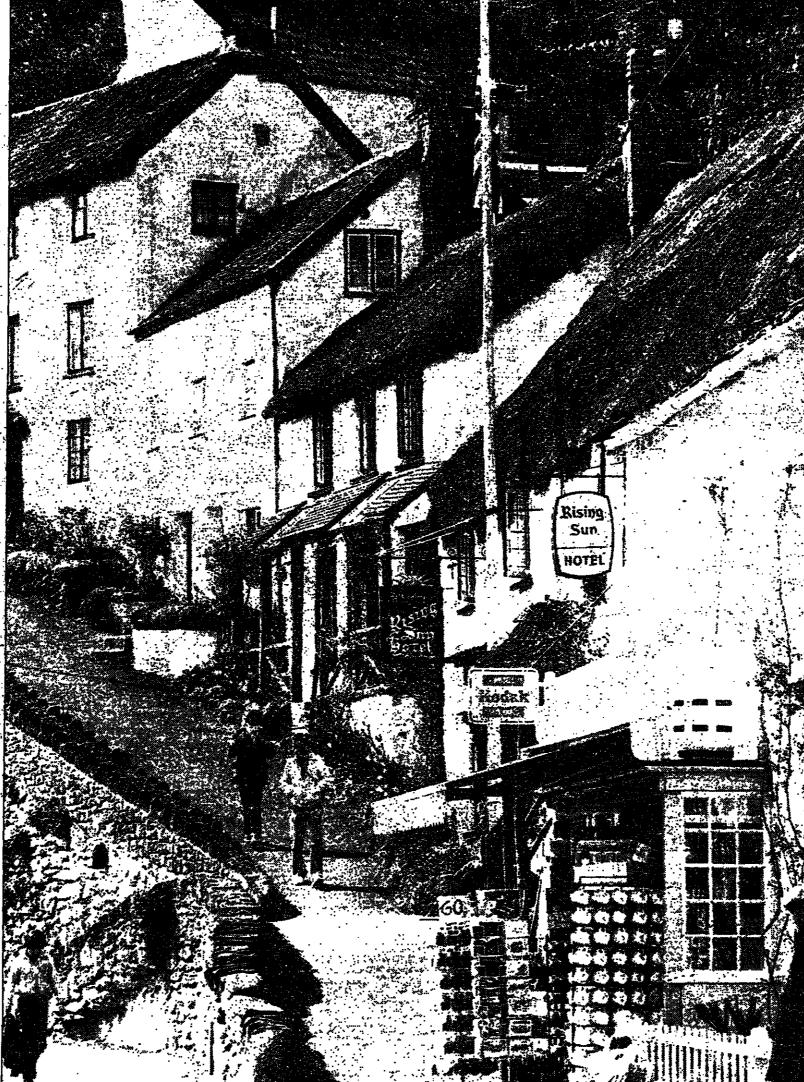
We were lucky: the weather

cleared up. Between the sea and the moors, we climbed the deep romantic chasm of Culbone Combe, which slants up from Porlock. And at the top of the combe, we wove a holy circle once round the wonderfully ordinary-looking farm where Coleridge probably wrote Kubla Khan.

Then the rain came on again and we drove back, anticipating Mr Arthur's Darne of Fresh Salmon poached in Champagne. Aunt Dahlia would have committed mur-

#### TRAVEL NOTES

Periton Park Hotel, Minehead, West Somerset TA24 8SW (0643 706885). Half-board with dinner ranges from £52.50 a head per night upwards, with beaten track, he has estab- breaks in winter and spring.



Whitewashed houses and steep streets: even the popular village of Lynmouth, on the edge of Exmoor, is peaceful outside the summer season

and balcony rooms should go

to singles, as they pay more.

This year the single surcharge

for a small double room is

another £8.75, still very

Peter Tyrie, managing

director of Balmoral Inter-

national, and a former man-

ager of Gleneagles Hotel in

Scotland and the Mandarin

Oriental in Hong Kong, says a

good hotelier would never

charge a supplement for single

occupancy of a double room if

he has rooms which would

otherwise be empty: "Supple-

ments are simply a rip-off if

reasonable."

TRAVEL NEWS

#### Pole vault

Berlin for £79 and Warsaw for £99 are the fares on Coach Europe's weekly service to Poland, beginning on June 8. Coach Europe is an International Leisure Group company. Reservations: 0533 510110. Expect to pay about £30 more for a return air fare

#### Call to arms

An action replay of the battle of Waterloo is being staged on the site of Wellington's victory. On June 17, the eve of the 175th anniversary, the Napoleonic Society and an international cast of 2,000 will re-enact the struggle. Belgian Travel Service (0920 467345) is running a Waterloo Weekend. Return coach travel from London and three night's half-board in Brussels: £199.

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#### Swanning off

An age limit of 25 is set by Swan Hellenic on its young travellers' discounts of up to 50 per cent on three cruises this summer. Each young person must be accompanied by at least one full-fare paying passenger. The three cruises are the Moors of Spain departing June 27, Vikings, Normans and Bretons (July 25) and Altantic coast to Mediterranean Shore (August8). Full adult fares start at £1,155 and include flights, accommodation, meals, excursions, entance fees and porterage (071 831 1515).

**Shona Crawford Poole** 

## A loud and singular protest

strous, even obscene. These are the words that normally mild-mannered readers of The Times employ Shangri-la Hotel, Hong Kong. to air their views on single On Kuoni's five-night, lowroom supplements. season price of £887, this adds Why should solo travellers, who have very often "reached the stage where we sleep better alone and prefer to be alone".

wrote one reader who spoke for many, be so severely penalized for declining to share a bedroom with a friend or, heaven forbid, a stranger? Why should they pay more.

and get less, than couples? When we published the results of our survey on readers' holiday habits and aspirations, the penal price put on privacy was by far the greatest source of disquiet. We asked being charged a single room you to tell us more. supplement for solo use of a Examples of discrimination double room, in a hotel which

are many. The heftiest single room supplement I came across is £104 a night for a

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Shona Crawford Poole reports readers' ered Los Geranios, run by a Dutchman and his German

anger over single room supplements

a whacking 59 per cent. That, bucked the system successof course, is on a holiday fully. Let Mrs Anna Robinson which is not cheap in the first speak for herself: "In June instance. But many would-beholidaymakers hardest hit by supplements are elderly and widowed or divorced people, whose choices may already be limited by poor health or inflation-eroded pensions. Your complaints focus on two categories of unfairness: being charged more for a small and ill-favoured single room than for sharing a large, wellequipped double room; and

1987 I booked the Hotel Splendido in Puerto Solier, Majorca for three weeks. It was the first holiday since my husband's death. My agent particularly asked for a nice single room, overlooking the garden if (as usual) no sea view rooms were available for singles. A nice room with garden view was confirmed at a surcharge of £22 extra per week. I arrived and to my horror was put in (literally) a black, dark room with a window only nine inches from

a wall. No view of any kind.

No bedside light - only a very

dim naked bulb right up in the

œiling. "I went down to reception and asked for the manager. He was out. I told the head receptionist 'I cannot spend even one night in that black hole.' Apart from the darkness it was quite airless. I spent two nights in reception, sleeping on a sofa. Eventually I was given a good, light, twinbedded room overlooking the earden. My courier said: 'They always try to get away with letting that room and often succeeed.

Towards the end of that holiday I searched around for a small hotel near the sea with decent single rooms. I discov-

singles are using accommodation that would not otherwise be let." The problem hoteliers face.

he explains, is in allocating blocks of rooms, in advance, to tour operators. The wife, and I have been there assumption is always that the ever since. It is a spotless and hotel will be full, so rates are friendly place. At Geranios set on costings calculated many months in advance. they said: 'We think that a very good quota of sea views These rates assume double occupancy and the hotelier or tour operator would suffer a loss if they were let as singles with no extra charge. £8.75 a week, and a balcony is

"You can always strike a bargain," Mr Tyrie suggests. Be prepared to bargain directly with hotels.

 Shop around, and never be shy of asking travel agents to question requests for supple ments on your behalf. If the tour operator or hotel's business is slack, they may be prepared to reduce or waive the published charges.

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have started to make their mark in eastern Europe.

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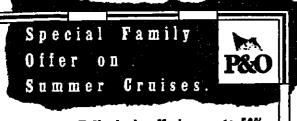
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#### FARE DEALS

Cheapest fares nearer home

ouvelles Frontières waved its magic wand for Ruth and Simon Jones. On impulse, the couple had decided to celebrate their wedding anniversary with a short mid-week break in Paris. Europe could not offer them any low fares at all.

"Yes, we do have a £79 APEX fare," sniffed the reservations clerk, "but you must book at least 14 days ahead and stay away over a Saturday night. If you want to fly to Paris next Tuesday and return on Thursday, our cheapest return fare is £127."

Fortunately, the Joneses were aware that flight consolidators can sometimes bend the rules. So they contacted the London office of Nouvelles Frontières (Air Europe's consolidator for the Paris route) which promptly sold the Joneses the very same seats for just £70 each.

Frankfurt A consolidator is basically a travel agent booking large numbers of seats with a selected airline, or airmies specific number of destina
Nice
Paris salesmen fill seats that would otherwise remain empty, the airlines reward them with All departures from London. All prices refer such favourable terms as spe-

and Salzburg for £138 and rand leningrad for £259 and

cial fares and permission to waive booking restrictions. The availability of savings depends, of course, on market but cut-price airline Air conditions. Consolidators do not get a look-in for flights to Ireland, Holland, Belgium or

many points in Spain and Greece because the existing scheduled fares are so competitive. But as you can see from the chart, consolidators can offer good savings for most other countries. If you are flying to Austria,

Austro Tours sells flights with Austrian Airlines to Klagenfurt for £162, Graz for £169,

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features that carrier's flights to Paris for £89 return. Besides Lisbon, Air Portugal consolidator Abreu offers Faro and Oporto for £110, with Air Europe from London

bruck for £150. The Swissam

consolidaton City by City, charges £122 to Zurich and

fill for Geneva/Basle. Dan Air consolidator Euro Express

and Funchal (Madeira) at £150. Scantours offers flights Gatwick for £195 to Stockholin and £165 to Oslo. Recently, consolidators

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TRAVEL

## Playing devil's advocate in Bruges

Michael Watkins lifts the covers on the city they call the 'Venice of the "north' and finds a few surprises

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et's be beastly about Bruges. No one else is. You never hear What a dump!" as you might of Brazzaville or Bremen. All you hear are glucose effusions that Bruges is the "Venice of the north", or faint distillations from the 19th century poet Dowson that it is "the most medieval town in Europe". So let us propose objections to canonization; let us play dev-il's advocate.

Is Bruges, in fact, a bona fide Flemish city? For 200 years it was the most prosperous mercantile centre in western Europe, linking the Baltic and Mediterranean seas. Riches piled high on its docks. If an expression of wealth was required, it was a further requirement that this expression should be in the best possible taste.

But the counts of Flanders and their merchant princes (middlemen or wholesalers on the up and up) were left-footed among the aesthetes and illequipped to distinguish a spandrel from a misericord.
"Help," they cried. And paid
help is what they got: architects, artists and artisans were imported to furnish and decorate on their behalf.

Neither is "medieval" a scrupulously honest word, for Bruges did not explode, all of a pièce, it evolved pragmatically, its progress regulated by fortunes of the state.

· Burgplein subscribes to nine centuries of architecture: the Romanesque is represented by the Basilica, the Town Hall is Gothic, the Old Recorder's House Renaissance, the Provoet's House belongs to the barroque, the Law Courts to the classical. The neo-Gothic façade of the prison was a gift of the 1930s, while the Holiday Inn promises to unveil its tomato ketchup countenance

Further questions of integrify arise by taunts concerning deception, by things not being what they purport to be.
The charming little hunch-

back bridge, the Bonifaciusbrugje, between the Church of Our Lady and the Arentshuis Garden, has a corner-stone dated 1634, although the bridge is but a recent addition

Most of the wooden façades are fake (though not the one in Kortewinkel), the originals having been dismantled in the 17th and 18th centuries as optential fire hazards. The melodious Gregorian chants you hear in the Basilica of the Holy Blood are indeed Gregorian chants, but taped.

The ultimate in counter-feisance is that although Rruges was conceived as a celebration, Bruggelings themselves were neither born nor reared as celebrants. Reliable, certainly; worthy, indubitably;

fun-loving, never.
While trusting every one of them with my life, I would choose to get drunk with none. The men wear solemn socks and have a natural resistance to exuberance.

Twice I put this theory to the test; once sitting on a bench in Burgolein, then squatting on a wall in the



Medieval-style banners define the shops' offerings

#### TRAVEL NOTES

• Michael Watkins's arrangements were made by Inntravel, The Old Station, Heimsley, Yorkshire Y06 5BZ (0439 71111). He travelled with a car by P&O European Ferries from Felixtowe to Zeebrugge; two-berth cabin, two nights' bed and breakfast at the Hotel Bryghia, 2224 for two.

Two can dine at family restaurants such as 'T Kapoentje, St Salvatorkoorst 6, and Ghistelhof, West-Ghistelhof 23, for £45, including house wine. If you take a car, park it or find a garage at the first opportunity, for it will be a liability.

Beguinage. Usually when I do spot in 5,000 years time, this, something happens: So-phia Loren or Cher joins me, perhaps an anarchist places a fizzing time-bomb beside me.

In Bruges I just sat.

Passing Bruggelings were orderly, watching the grass orderly, watching the grass grow with cautious interest. Children did not pick flowers or burst bubblegum; dogs refrained from fouling the neat cobbles. There was an air of such sweet reasonableness that I knew, unless I moved, I would be found on the same

petrified in marzipan. I realize that statues are not designed to be entertaining; their subjects would derive scant satisfaction by grinning famously into perpetuity.
Thus does Hans Memling glower and Guido Gezelle look as if he has swallowed something nasty, even Papa-

to be pleased about, seems in And is security so threat-ened in the Church of Our

The devil's advocate is never best loved; but at least I felt that I couldn't be the only visitor who would prefer to be in the Venice of the south. Then, in the Groeninge Mu-seum to be precise, I had a quiet, illicit chuckle. The van Eycks and Breughels were all very well; but it was Hieronymus Bosch's Lagiste Oordeel that caught my fancy. A "judgement" picture of the who's-<u>for-heaven-w</u>no's the-pit? genre, it was an ingenious romp, macabre, tongue-in-cheek.

The picture bucked me up no end. So did my hotel, the Bryghia, which dated from the 14th century and was perched over a bottle-green canal in Oosterlingenplein, 15 min-utes' stroll from the Res-

not to kill for the recipe. The excellence of dinner

By 11pm the streets were void; not a pickpocket or pervert in sight. No lingering lovers either. Indoors, my mind's eye glimpsed Bruggelings, usurers all, counting loose change, plumbing the depths of their own probity. Masonry glowed in honeycoloured shades; somewhere a master-switch disconnected all sound and passion, em-

self-absorption. geno, who, after all, had much

Lady that one is inordinately distanced from Michelangelo's Madonna and Child?

taurant 'T Kapoentje, where, although I appreciated that man cannot live by béarnaise alone, he would be retarded

unsheathed another dagger with which to hack at my thankless brief; surely any city which obliges McDonald's to close due to lack of patronage is an irreproachable candidate for canonization.

balming this flawless city in

Eventually I took an inventory of my likes and dislikes. Profits included the sturdy 12th century columns in St Basil's Chapel (but not



Tradition: smiling girls wearing two-tone "habits" and red carnations celebrate the Assumption of the Holy Virgin

the painted wooden carving of the Virgin and Child with

their rouged cheeks and goody-goody expressions); the pure lines of the Beguinage Church and even pure lines of the Benedictine sister sweeping the altar steps; the startled look in the eyes of one the Gobelin tapestries and

Saviour's Cathedral; almshouses at 13 Katelijnestraat; coffee at the Brasserie T Mozarthuys.

Quellin's massive organ in St

In the debit column, I entered several panes of hor-rid stained glass in the Basilica, as well as the showy pulpit representing the terrestrial globe, low-flying mallard; par-

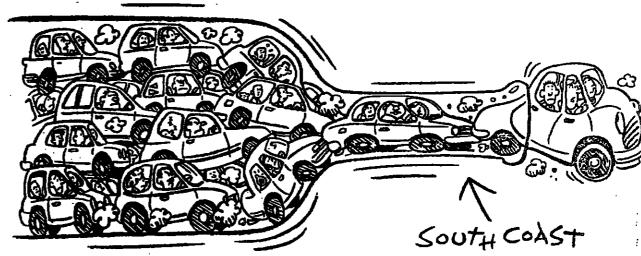
dens, lace in any shape or form.
There is a building that resolutely declines to be categorized: Jerusalem Church tion referendum: yea or nay? You have to ring a bell for a It is a serious place, Bruges, caretaker to admit you. Measuring 13 paces by 11, it is

more like a private chapel, not classical Fish Market, all the bas-reliefs in Hudevettersplein; the least faded of trance fees to most treasures family, the Adornes. It is family, the Adornes. It is family, the Adornes. It is family, the Adornes of the force of the College transfer and the College tr at all grand; except of course worth looking at; poodles in possessed of serenity; if you do gravity"?

fitted overcoats, traffic war- not understand me, save your-I think I'm done. How are you voting on the canonizarequiring serious considera-tion. Wasn't it Chesterton who said, ... solemnity

flows out of man naturally;

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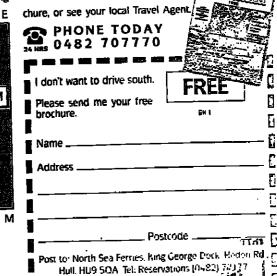
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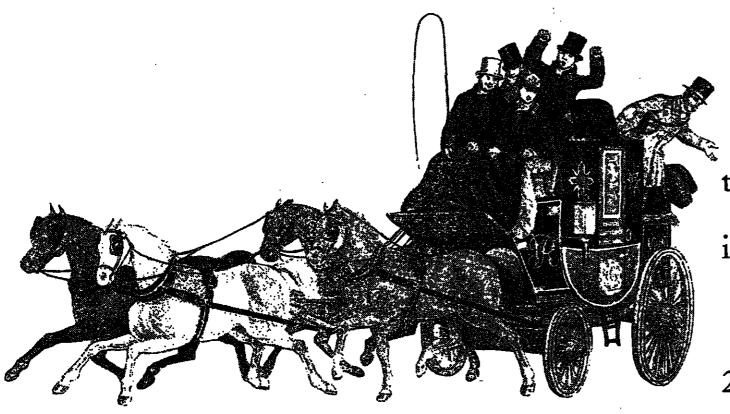








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